

March 30, 2008

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MASS TIMES

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.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Due in the parish office by e-mail or in writing by
11:00 a.m. on Monday.
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THE WEEK AHEAD**TUESDAY – APRIL 1**

Rosary for the unborn – 11:30 a.m. – church
 Card Party – 1:00-4:00 p.m. – ed. building
 Pre-baptism – 7:00 p.m. – parish office

WEDNESDAY – APRIL 2

Religious Ed. classes – 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY – APRIL 3

RCIA – 6:00 p.m.

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

Betty Behlmer, Dan Burgmeier, Sheila Coffman, Marie Craig, Val Drake, Richard Hellmich, Paul Huber, Jacob Johnson, Kathleen Jontz, Lynda Keillor, Paul Koors, Jerry Mann, Aaron McCrary, Ginny Meyerrose, Roy Miller, Gish Ray, Dottie Ricke, Carol Rosebrough, Herb Scheidler, Lawrence Schoettmer, 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, Steve Redmon, Eric Saylor, 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.

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Have you Drifted Away from the Church?

Whatever your reason for being away from the church, please give us a chance to listen to you and address your concerns. Join for our informal weekly sessions beginning March 31 at 7:00 p.m. in the Education Building (behind the school). The meetings will be facilitated by Catholics who you may find share many of your feelings. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please call Anita Navarra, 663-8427 or email anavarra@stmarysgreensburg.com.

BIBLE SCHOOL DONATIONS!

Its time to start preparing for our vacation bible school. We will have a giving tree again after Easter with items that we will ask to be donated. In the meantime, here are some things we need. Egg cartons, rubber bands, empty toilet paper rolls, empty rectangular Kleenex boxes, coffee cans (any size), pull tabs off aluminum cans, paper towel tubes. Items can be brought to the parish office. Thank—you!

Handbell Soloist Concert**Sunday, April 20 – 1:00pm**

Enjoyment for everyone; a potluck dinner after the 11:00 mass is being planned. Watch the bulletin for more information later.

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.

Knights of Columbus

Bring your family to an all you can eat Spaghetti Dinner Friday, April 4 from 5:00-7:30 p.m. Also, enjoy a salad bar with all the trimmings, wine and ice cream for dessert. See you there!! Cost: \$7.00/Adults; \$4.00 children 6 to 12 years; \$2.00 for 3-5 years and children under 3 free.

Attention all Senior Girls

The senior graduates' dinner given by the Ladies Auxiliary and the Daughters of Isabella will take place in April. If you are interested in attending or would like more information please call Theresa Horan at 663-0876.

Please pick up your pictorial directory at the parish office.

Vacation Bible School Rainforest Adventure June 9-13, 2008

LEGACY CAMPAIGN UPDATE as of March 1st

Msgr. Knueven recently sent letters to parish members who had not yet returned their pledge. This reminder is generating additional responses. If you are among those to receive this letter, please respond generously and as soon as possible. 100% participation remains both our goal and our need. Remember, "It is not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice.

To date, 492 cards have been returned with pledges of \$6,505,480. Of this, \$2,242,580 has been received. With total assets, we have over \$8,000,000! We are very appreciative of those who have given so generously to our campaign.

Parish leadership is in the process of contacting our current architect as well as several others to further define construction and refine the cost estimates. Many feel the original estimate of \$15 to 20 million may be disproportionate when compared to other recently constructed churches and schools.

Keep the Legacy Campaign and our parish in your prayers.

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.

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. We'll take your name and then get with you when we are ready with more details.

Dear Community,

There will be a parish council meeting this Monday, March 31, at the Knights of St. John at 7:00 p.m.

The first meeting for "Catholics Returning Home" will be Monday, March 31 at 7:00 p.m. in the Education Building.

There will be a meeting this Tuesday for "Caller Training" at the Collection Associates Office at 6:30 p.m.

I will be taking Aaron Hoeing, Ben Fischer and Chris Blankman to the Marion College Seminary for an introduction to their program for college students studying for the priesthood. If you know of anybody else that would like to go, please let me know. We will leave right after the students get out of high school on Wednesday April 2. Please meet at the rectory ASAP. Thanks.

There will be a Pitch-in at Norb Kramers on Thursday, April 3, for the RCIA group. We will have Mass and I will give a talk on Prayer Life. Arrive at 6:00 p.m. for a tour. Mass will begin about 6:30 or 6:45.

You are invited to the Peacemaker's Seminar, April 5 at the Community Church in Greensburg. Call the church for further details. I will have a convalidation ceremony at 1:00 p.m. the same day for Rodney Allen and Laura Farr.

For Your Consideration

- The nicest thing about the future is that it always starts tomorrow.
- Money will buy a fine dog, but only kindness will make him wag his tail.
- If you don't have a sense of humor, you probably don't have any sense at all.
- Seat belts are not as confining as wheelchairs.
- A good time to keep your mouth shut is when you're in deep water.
- How come it takes so little time for a child who is afraid of the dark to become a teenager who wants to stay out all night?
- Business conventions are important because they demonstrate how many people a company can operate without.
- Why is it that at class reunions you feel younger than everyone else looks?

Msgr. Knueven

MASS INTENTIONS**MONDAY – MARCH 31**

7:15 a.m. Elenora Bartholomew

TUESDAY – APRIL 1

7:15 a.m. Paul Doerflinger

WEDNESDAY – APRIL 2

7:15 a.m. Sam Schwering

8:30 a.m. Howard Maudlin

THURSDAY – APRIL 3

7:15 a.m. Paul Richards

2:30 p.m. Loretta Moore

(Odd Fellows Nursing Home Mass)

FRIDAY – APRIL 4

7:15 a.m. Larry Simons

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – APRIL 5/6

4:30 a.m. Don Bruns

7:00 a.m. Paul Volk

9:00 a.m. Joey Shields

11:00 a.m. For all people

SERVERS**WEEKDAY/MARCH 31-APRIL 4 (Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., Fri.)**

7:15 a.m. Kyle Colson – John Rupp

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – APRIL 5/6

4:30 a.m. Blake Rolf – Kyle Moeller

7:00 a.m. Tyler Luber – Bryant Himes

9:00 a.m. Miranda Kessens

Haley Vanderbur

11:00 a.m. Lillie Wolter – Mary Young

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**SATURDAY/SUNDAY – APRIL 5/6**

4:30 a.m. Johanne Davis – Kathie Davis

Deb Greiwe – Rita Hellmich

Ed & Brenda Dwenger

7:00 a.m. Sheila Kirchoff – Sally Koors

Helen Froehling – Linda Luber

Mary E. Menkedick – Carol Ann Nobbe

9:00 a.m. Claude & Dottie Bilbrey

Carol Blasdel – Sharon Crites

Nancy Fogg – Steve Meyer

11:00 a.m. Darlene Banks – Angie Hersley

Maryellen Connor – Marietta Hagerty

Keith & Penny Hipkind

LECTORS**SATURDAY/SUNDAY – APRIL 5/6**

4:30 a.m. Sandy Meyer

7:00 a.m. Dick Glaser

9:00 a.m. Brent Muckerheide

11:00 a.m. Donna Swinford

Peacemaker Seminar

Christians can fight just like everyone else... When we do, relationships are damaged, businesses and careers suffer, and the witness of the church is weakened.

You can help to reverse this pattern. Learn how to apply the peacemaking principles God has given to us in His Word. See how they have been used to resolve everything from family squabbles to complicated lawsuits. Then apply these principles in your family, church, and workplace to resolve conflict in a loving, firm, and God-pleasing manner.

The Peacemaker Seminar will take place Saturday, April 5, 2008 at the Community Church, 1427 W. Vandalia Rd., Greensburg; \$15.00 per person registration fee by March 30 or \$20.00 after that date.

For more information contact Julie Schwipps at 662-8331 or church@ccogb.org.

Marian College and Holy Family Home Educators presents...
Indianapolis Catholic Home School Conference and Curriculum Fair

When: Saturday, June 7, 2008
 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Where: Marian College Campus, Indianapolis, IN

For more information see website at www.hfheindy.org

**Oldenburg Franciscan Center****Planning your Garden – Facilitator: Jessa Greiwe**

Date: April 12th at 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

This class is designed to offer participants information in sustainable gardening for ornamental landscapes and home food gardens. For beginners and intermediate gardeners. Suggested Donation: \$45 (includes lunch)

Evensong – Facilitator: Sr. Janet born, OSF

Dates: April 13th, May 11th, June 8th at 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Join us for an interfaith prayer service in the Center's Chapel every second Sunday of the month. Free and Open to the Public

Fourth Women's Conference – Rocking Chair Wisdom

Using their gifts of song, story and prayer, Mary and Jeanne will lead participants in an opening and closing reflection on the spiritual strength and virtues of women of faith – past, present and future. Keynote presenters are Mary Malloy with Jeanne Hunt. Four Breakout Sessions: Spiritual Friendships between Women of Faith: presenters: Mary Mally and Jeanne Hunt, Mending Our Relationships: presenter: Olga Wittekind, OSF, Gentle Yoga: presenter: Jo Dall, Healing and Prayer: Presenter: Dr. Thomas Brown, MD. Program will take place April 26 from 9:00a.m.-3:30 p.m. \$25.00 registration before April 5, \$30 after April 5.

For more information or to register for any of the above offerings, please call Oldenburg Franciscan Center at 812-933-6437 or e-mail

center@oldenburgosf.com.

Make checks payable to: Sisters of St. Francis, and mail to: Oldenburg Franciscan Center, P. O. Box 100, Oldenburg, IN 47036.

YOUTH NEWS

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

Bible Verse of the Week: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who are called according to His purpose." ~ Romans 8:28

Random Question

Last week's winners: High School – Gina Ricke Jr. High – Vanessa Lawrence

Last weeks answer: A hummingbird is the only bird that can fly backwards.

This week's question: **What was Forrest Gump's IQ?**

Leader Board

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| Gina Ricke | 11 |
| Stephanie Hoeing | 10 |
| Aaron Hoeing | 9 |
| Kelsey Johnson | 3 |
| Vanessa Lawrence | 3 |

Our Youth Council:

Andrew Dougan
Hayley Schwering
Sara Stier
Ann Weigel

Aaron Hoeing
Jake Shields
Nikki Vanderbur
Sara Welage

Penny War: These are the results as of Wednesday, March 12.

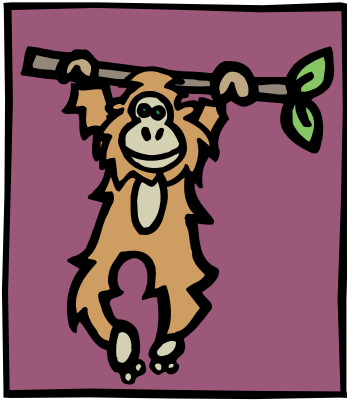
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| 1st ~ 7th grade (17,893) | 4th ~ Seniors (14,225) |
| 2nd ~ 8 th grade (14, 801) | 5th ~ Juniors (11, 375) |
| 3rd ~ Freshman (14,475) | 6th ~ Sophomores (7,557) |

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

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.



We would like to extend a very special welcome to Melissa Storie, as she was inadvertently missed in last week's bulletin. Melissa is in her first year of teaching at Milroy Elementary School. She teaches the 3rd grade. This summer she will be getting married and has chosen to join her fiancé in his Catholic faith.



2008 "Rainforest Adventure"

Vacation Bible School

Dear Parishioner,

It is once again time to start preparing for our Vacation Bible School. This year we will be holding the program the week of June 9-13. The time will be 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. each day. We will use the "2008 Rainforest Adventure" program this year where kids are invited to share the good news of Jesus' love for us by being his disciples. Through kid-friendly bible stories we learn to respond to Christ's active presence in our lives.

Because of the large number of participants, we need many volunteers, age 14 or older. Listed below are some of the areas we need help with. Please check the one (ones) that most interest you and return it as soon as possible to the parish office.

Registration materials for your children will be out soon. Thank you for your support of our programs.

Anita Navarra

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Name _____ Phone _____

_____ Guide (Leader)
(must be available all 5 days)

_____ Guide's Aid
(must be available all 5 days)

_____ Café Snacks (serve snacks)

_____ Canopy Crafts

_____ Sky High Storytelling

_____ Set-Up & Decorations

_____ Craft Prep.
(cut out items ahead of time)

_____ Babysitting

_____ Bake Snacks

_____ General Assistant

_____ Photographer/Scrapbook

Childcare is available to volunteers. If Child care is needed, please indicate.

Child's Name _____ Age as of June 1 _____ Days Needed _____

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