

# PENTECOST

*Come, Holy Spirit, Come!*



**THE WEEK AHEAD****TUESDAY – MAY 13**

Rosary for the unborn – 11:30 a.m. – church  
 Card Party – 1:00-4:00 p.m. – ed. building  
 Faith Formation Commission – 6:00 p.m. –  
 rectory

Maintenance – 7:00 p.m. - rectory

**WEDNESDAY – MAY 14**

Preschool-5<sup>th</sup> grade Religious Ed. – 6:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY – MAY 15**

ACT – 7:00 p.m. - office

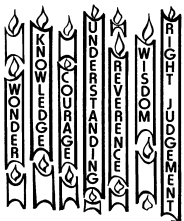
**PRAYER REQUESTS****Please pray for the sick and suffering and their families of our parish and community:**

Curt Abplanalp, Betty Behlmer, Dan Burgmeier, Sheila Coffman, Marie Craig, JoAnn Cronin, Val Drake, Sophia Fledderman, Richard Hellmich, Paul Huber, Jacob Johnson, Melissa Johnson, Kathleen Jontz, Clifford Knueven, Paul Koors, Jerry Mann, Jeannie Martin, Aaron McCrary, Ginny Meyerrose, Caitlin Miller, Gish Ray, Ruby Rodenbeck, Harold Ripperger, Herb Scheidler, Lawrence Schoettmer, Leonard Schoettmer, Tom Schoettmer, Kortney Snyder, & LeeAnn Welch.

**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, Edward Hurt, Clifford Knueven, 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.

**WEBSITE**

[www.stmarysgreensburg.com](http://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.

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**Feast of Pentecost** will be celebrated this weekend. Red is the liturgical color for this feast. With Pentecost Sunday, the “fifty days” of the Easter celebration comes to a close. The solemnities of Trinity Sunday, the Body and Blood of Christ are echoes of Easter. The paschal candle remains a central symbol of the solemnity of Pentecost, the Easter flame will be extinguished and the Paschal candle moved to its place by the baptismal font for the remainder of the year. Thus another Easter Season comes to a close.

**The Sequence of Pentecost**

The sequence is liturgical form developed around the ninth century. It began as an expansion of the last syllable of the alleluia before the gospel. These elaborations, called *sequentia*, were opportunities to express more fully the joy of special feasts.

The Sequence of Pentecost is printed here. Perhaps you might like to use the text for family prayer, sometime during this great feast of Pentecost.

**“Veni, Creator Spiritus”**

Creator spirit Lord of grace, Come, make in us your dwelling place!  
 O Purest Light, in darkness shine; Fill loveless hearts, O Love divine!

O Spirit, hear your people’s cry! Come down, O Gift of God most high!  
 Descend in peace, O heav’nly Dove; Come, fount of Life; come, flame of love!

As once on Christ the Servant’s head the oil of sev’n fold grace you shed,  
 so now anoint from love’s deep springs your chosen prophets, priests and kings!

**Pentecost**

The disciples were fearful. They really did not know what they were getting into. Jesus settled them down, breathed on them to empower them, and equipped them to bring the world into reconciliation by means of the forgiveness of sins. We’ve spent the past two thousand years trying to do just that—reconciling the world with the Father. We know that we are a church sometimes less than divine, but without the Spirit—well, the thought is ghastly.

Clearly, it is the miracle of the Spirit that we’ve gotten this far. Talking in tongues and universal understanding seems a little insignificant when cast in the light that the Church has endured so much and lived with and lived under so many different personalities. Yet still exists today.

That’s miraculous.

It has sung so many songs and played so many different instruments, and yet we still gather to see if we can get it right just this once.

That’s miraculous.

The Church so broad and yet so individualistic can still boast an umbrella so large that all can still find a place, at least so far.

That’s miraculous.

The Spirit still lives in us and with us.

That’s miraculous.

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

### BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

#### **Dear Parents and children,**

Summer is just around the corner and here at St. Mary's we're planning an exciting VBS adventure for your children! The "Rainforest Adventure: is being offered from June 9 to June 13.

Here 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.

At Rainforest Adventure, you'll hear stories about Jesus, make cool crafts, learn catchy tunes, play zany games, eat yummy snacks and make lots of new friends!

Everyone between the ages of 4 and 4<sup>th</sup> grade (2007-08 year) is invited! See you there! Watch for registration forms in the bulletin and sent home with Religious Education and school students. **Registration deadline is May 19<sup>th</sup>.**

And as always, we need lots of Jr. high, high school and adult volunteers! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS for crafts, group leaders, aids, and babysitting.

### BIBLE SCHOOL DONATIONS!

Thanks to everyone for your donations to VBS. We are still in need of green vines and keep bringing your pop pull tabs. We are also looking for a small patio set and some fake ferns to borrow. Items can be brought to the parish office. Thank—you!

### Religious Articles available from St. Mary's Parish

#### **Crosses – nice 1<sup>st</sup> Communion gifts**

6" Wood Cross with Girl kneeling and holding chalice

\$7.00 (2 available)

4" Brass Cross with Boy kneeling and praying

\$4.00 (3 available)

4" Brass Cross with Girl kneeling and praying

\$4.00 (5 available)

**Rosaries** – Blue beaded rosary in a case with "Father's Prayer

\$5.00 (5 available)

Cream "wood-look" beaded rosary in case with

"Father's Prayer

\$5.00 (3 available)

**Baby** – Stuffed baby giraffe "Babies are God's gifts"

\$4.00 (3 available)

**Graduation** – Nice glass frame with verses from Jeremiah

29: 11-14 – Etched around the border

\$8.00 (4 available)

Porcelain Bible & Stand "I am with you Always"

\$6.00 (4 available)

These are available at the parish office, Monday through Thursday, 9-4 (or call if you need to stop by at a different time). Correct change is needed or checks can be made out to St. Mary's Parish. These will be available through May, 2008.

### **Dear Community,**

Congratulations to all who made their First Communion this weekend. Congratulations to all who were confirmed. Thanks to all of you parents who helped to get your children ready for these sacraments. Thanks also to Anita & Nancy and all the teachers in the religious education program & who worked so hard and so faithfully in preparing our young people for the reception of the Eucharist and the sacrament of Confirmation.

I will be enrolled in the Miter Society this Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis. If you want to know what the Meter Society is, please check your computer under Catholic Church and score down to Miter Society.

Fr. Lucas will take confessions and the Saturday evening Mass. I will be with Fr. Munshower, my classmate as he celebrates his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination at St. Thomas Aquinas in Indianapolis on Saturday evening.

The liturgy meeting this month will be on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in Joan's office.

The Space Shuttle Discovery has already been launched on over 25 missions.

But for those who travel to Florida to watch a launch, the experience is anything but routine. It is a spectacular and thrilling event.

The Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex offers a launch-viewing opportunity ticket that provides transportation to the viewing site seven miles from the shuttle pads. They say that when you're that close, you not only see it and hear it—you feel it! Visitors are left staring into the empty sky where the great ship has disappeared. Only the rocket's cloud of smoke remains.

If we imagine ourselves on the mountaintop with the Apostles in today's Gospel, even from a distance of 2,000 years the Ascension of the Lord is spectacular and thrilling to contemplate. We stare up into the sky while the final words of Jesus echo in our ears: "I am with you always." With that promise, we feel his love and are deeply moved.

Yours in Christ,  
Mgr. Knueven

## ✚ MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY – MAY 12

**7:15 a.m.** Adele Ferman

### TUESDAY – MAY 13

**7:15 a.m.** Laura Gentry

### WEDNESDAY – MAY 14

**7:15 a.m.** Urb Agnes Blankman

**8:30 a.m.** Lori Langferman

### THURSDAY – MAY 15

**7:15 a.m.** Rita Saler

**2:30 p.m.** Clement Peters

(Hickory Creek Nursing Home Mass)

### FRIDAY – MAY 16

**7:15 a.m.** Albert Heppner

### SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MAY 17/18

**4:30 p.m.** Eleanor Weisbach

**7:00 a.m.** Kathleen (Katz) Scheidler

**9:00 a.m.** Dorothy Welage

**11:00 a.m.** For all people

**2:30 p.m.** Living & deceased members of  
Msgr. Knueven's family

## 👥 SERVERS

### WEEKDAY/MAY 12-16 (Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., Fri.)

**7:15 a.m.** Joe Buening – Ry Burkert

### SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MAY 17/18

**4:30 p.m.** Megan Blankman  
Miranda Kessens

**7:00 a.m.** Jesse Elsner – Blake Thomas

**9:00 a.m.** Jessica Hensley – Lillie Wolter

**11:00 a.m.** Brent Bohman – Shine Duncan

## 🕯️ EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

### SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MAY 17/18

**4:30 p.m.** Emily Pank – Cindy Nelson  
Bert McQueen – Rachel Redmon  
Dorothy Redelman – Sandy Meyer

**7:00 a.m.** Teresa Horan – Pat O'Bryan  
Mary Ann Luken – Mary Ellen Menkedick  
Denny Doerflinger – Carol Ann Nobbe

**9:00 a.m.** Graduates Mass

**11:00 a.m.** Chris & Kristy Tebbe  
Lynne AmRhein – Angie Wessler  
Darlene Banks – Maryellen Connor

## 📖 LECTORS

### SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MAY 17/18

**4:30 p.m.** Ed Dwenger

**7:00 a.m.** Linda Ricke

**9:00 a.m.** Graduates Mass

**11:00 a.m.** Monty Shields

## Eucharistic Ministers and Servers

Please return your renewal forms and sign-up sheets ASAP. Boxes are at all doorways of church. If you have misplaced or lost your original copy, please call Joan, 663-8427.

## Attention: 5<sup>th</sup> graders soon to be 6<sup>th</sup> graders

We have sent letters to St. Mary's school and Religious Ed 5<sup>th</sup> graders, inviting them to become servers for the coming year. Please return your registration slips as soon as possible.

Adoration Chapel - We need **permanent adorer** for: **Sunday/12:00 a.m., 4:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.** Please call Monica O'Brien at 663-2514 if you can take on a permanent basis or share with someone else on an alternate basis. Thanks for your help!

The Greenburg Knights of St. John will have a Mother's Day Breakfast on Sunday, May 11 at the Knights hall, South Wilder St. Greensburg. Breakfast will be served 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and menu will include pancakes, whole hog sausage, scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy, pastries, coffee, juice and milk. A free will offering will be taken. Carry-outs will be available. Public is invited. Flowers will be given to the first 100 mothers.

The Knights of Columbus will have the Living Rosary on May 29, 7:30 p.m. at the K of C Hall. Everyone is invited.

## Celebration for Fr. Ripperger

The parish of St. Mary's Lanesville, IN, is happy to announce that our pastor Fr. Harold A. Ripperger is celebrating his Golden Jubilee, 50 years a priest, on May 3, 2008. Father Ripperger was an assistant pastor of St. Mary, Greensburg, from 1970-1973. St. Mary's, Lanesville is planning for his celebratory Mass, with reception and dinner following, on Saturday, May 17, at 5:30 p.m. Please keep Father Ripperger in your prayers, and for more information on his Jubilee, please call St. Mary's Parish Office at 812-952-2853. If you cannot attend and would like to send him a card his address is: Fr. Harold Ripperger, St. Mary's Church, 2500 St. Mary's Drive, Lanesville, IN 47136.

The 4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Maurice Church, Decatur County has been moved to St. John's Church, Enochsburg for the next three months.



## The Lighthouse-A Bereavement Support

Group. A free support group to help grieving individuals and family members cope with the death of loved ones. This group is an opportunity for people in grief to reconcile their losses and go on to find continued meaning in life and living. For more information call 663-1176, ext. 4 at the Decatur County Memorial Hospital. The groups meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in conference room D at the hospital.

***Thanks** to all who sent cards and good wishes to us on our 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. God Bless, Mike & Nancy Cuskaden*

## **YOUTH NEWS**

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

**Bible Verse of the Week:** "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household." ~ Acts 16:31

**Penny War:** **The total amount of money raised by the youth in the penny war this year was \$3,030.42.**

\*Thank you to all of you who gave your change and hard work to make the penny war a success this year. It was a lot of fun and you all did a great job. Be ready to start up again next school year and start working on those strategies, but look out for changes in the rules.

**There will be NO SMUS this Sunday due to Mother's Day.** Spend time with your mom and tell her you love her!!!

**Relay for Life:** In order to make our youth team a success we need you. Relay for life is Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>—Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. We will be having a competition between the Jr. High and High School to see who can raise the most money. The winning team gets to choose what the losing team has to do while walking the track. If interested contact Andi ASAP. Registration forms are due Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Many of us have had family members or friends affected by cancer, do your part to help find a cure. Sign up today!!!

**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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### *You're All Invited!*

Monsignor Harold Kneeven  
invites you to participate in the  
Mass of Thanksgiving commemorating the  
Golden Anniversary of his  
Ordination to the Priesthood  
to be offered at St. Mary's Parish  
Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008, 2:30 p.m.



A Reception will immediately follow in the St. Mary's School Gym  
A special gift is planned for Msgr. Kneeven which will be a trip of his choice. Donations  
are being accepted. Envelopes are provided for you to place a donation in and they  
can be brought to the parish office or placed in the collection baskets.

## St. Mary's Financial Report/July 1, 2007-March 31, 2008

<b>Income:</b>	
Sunday & Other Collections	\$896,006.89
Donations & Contributions	55,448.64
Tuition	93,648.00
Total Fees	86,397.76
Fundraising	49,739.90
Sales	3,832.73
Other Income	33,555.29
Interest & Investment Income	65,129.66
Restricted Income	760.00
Total Income	1,284,518.87
<b>Expense:</b>	
Salary Expense	629,903.42
Benefit Expense	192,461.45
Training & Education	4,754.97
Assessment	122,869.15
Other Collection Expense	18,156.49
Interest/Operating Expense	318.25
Administrative Expense	38,404.98
Other Expense	27,834.24
Utility & Property	109,106.49
Spiritual Life	7,660.70
Program & Instructional	55,365.31
Total Expense	1,206,835.45
Total Income	1,284,518.87
Total Expenses	1,206,835.45
Income Less Expense	77,683.42

### **Correction: should read \$4,400**

- Did you know it cost approximately \$44,000 dollars to educate a child at St. Mary's school per year? This is approximately half of what it cost to educate a child in the public school.
- Did you know that it takes sixty gallons of wine per year for our Eucharistic Celebrations?



Thursday, May 15, 2008  
St. Mary's School, Greensburg  
(Grades K-6)

6:30-7p.m. begin viewing artwork

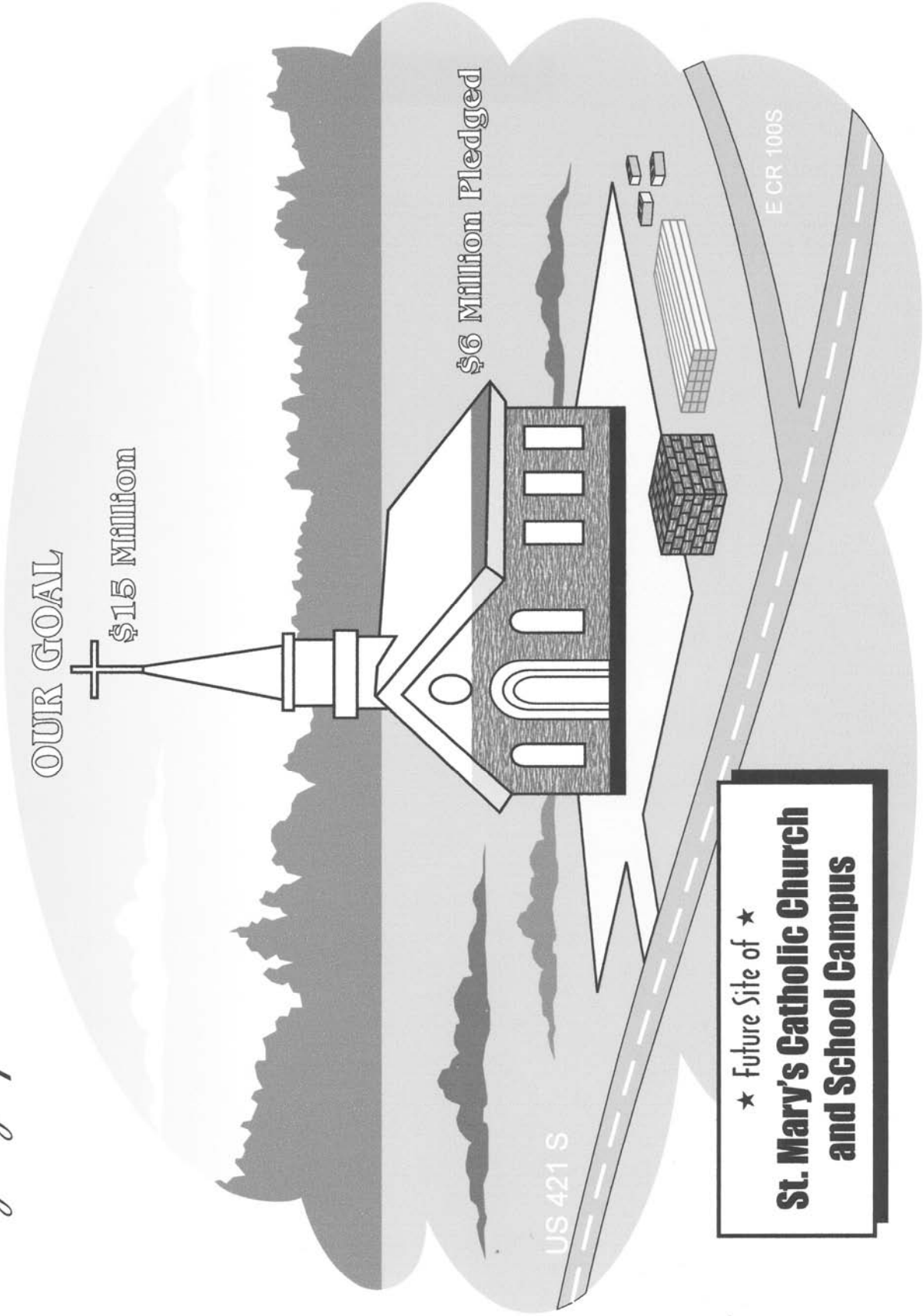
6:50p.m. students assemble in gym

7-8p.m. music program in the gym

8-9p.m. enjoy more beautiful artwork!

(cookies & punch are available all evening!)

*Legacy of Our Mission*



OUR GOAL

\$15 Million

\$6 Million Pledged

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and School Campus**



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Date \_\_\_\_\_

As a convenience to St. Mary's Parishioners, we offer Automatic Debit Services for Sunday contribution commitments. Your checking or savings account can be debited weekly, monthly, or yearly in order to meet your stewardship pledge.

If you would like this free service, please complete the authorization below and return to the parish office. All information will be confidential. Questions may be directed to Sally Koors.

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**Automatic Debit Authorization**

St. Mary's Church will electronically debit funds from your account according to the following terms:  
Please include a blank voided check from the account that you want funds taken from.

**Amount:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Frequency:** weekly \_\_\_\_\_ monthly \_\_\_\_\_ yearly \_\_\_\_\_

**Day/Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name of Bank:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Account Holder's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Bank Account:** Checking \_\_\_\_\_ Savings \_\_\_\_\_

**Bank Account Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Bank Account Routing Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Said amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is to be applied to \_\_\_\_\_ contribution record at St. Mary's Church.  
(Family Envelope #)

An electronic transfer deemed non-sufficient will be re-presented to your financial institution for its face value.

I hereby authorize St. Mary's Church to electronically transfer funds from my account according to the above terms.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parishioner Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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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