



St. Mary's Church THE PARISH SPEAKER

Greensburg, Indiana – July 2008

Matthew 29: 19 - "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!"

Our Mission: To Proclaim The Good News And To Become The Body Of Christ!

PARISH EVENTS IN JULY 2008

TUESDAY – JULY 1

Pre-baptism session – 7:00 p.m. – Parish Office upstairs

FRIDAY – JULY 4

Parish Office will be closed for the Holiday

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – JULY 19/20

Baptismal weekend

SATURDAY – JULY 26

Blood Drive – School Gym

Adult Faith Formation

“Adult Catholics must be mature in faith and well equipped to share the Gospel, promoting it in every family circle, in every church gathering, in every place of work, and in every public forum. They must be women and men of prayer whose faith is alive and vital, grounded in a deep commitment to the person and message of Jesus.” *Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us*, U.S. Catholic Bishops.

To promote the importance of lifelong faith formation is a goal of St. Mary's Faith Formation Commission. The Faith Formation Commission and adult Catechetical team have currently studied the U.S. Catholic Bishops Pastoral Plan for Adult Faith Formation, “Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us.” One objective from this study is providing regular opportunity for adults to participate in faith formation.

Currently the Adult Catechetical Team offers a variety of program opportunities, usually on a monthly basis for adults to participate in. These have included 6-week bible studies, concerts such as Romans and Carey Landry, productions such as Late Night Catechism and 3½ Stories of Christmas, Parish Resource Center, speakers on a variety of topics, mission trip, retreats, parish missions, and more. In addition, our parish offers adults sacramental preparation, parent/family education on sacraments, RCIA, liturgical ministries, diocesan newspaper, seasonal booklets, and information on programs in surrounding parishes and in the community.

We are looking at more possibilities for Adult Faith Formation and the survey that you helped us with in June will guide us in providing opportunities for adults and families to continue to grow in your faith.

Our **Vacation Bible School**, “2008 rainforest Adventure”, was a huge success! 155 children participated in the activities including making crafts, learning new songs and prayers, listening to bible stories, playing, and sharing together. On our last day together, the parents and family were invited to look at our creations and to hear our new songs. The children participated in service projects throughout the week. We were able to give canned food items to the St. Mary's Hot Meals Program, a donation of personal items and food to Human Services, and a monetary donation to the Huch Uy Runa Mission Project which will help with education for children in Cuzco Peru. We give thanks for all who agreed to serve as our leaders for Vacation Bible School. Over 65 volunteers helped to make this a very special week for the children. Thank you for saying yes to using your spiritual gifts to help children and adults discover the power of prayer and respond actively and meaningfully to that blessing. May God guide you in your teaching and learning, inspiring in you a richer understanding of the life of discipleship in the community of faith.

Also a big Thank-you to all of you who donated items or money for our crafts and snacks and to those who baked snacks and cut out items. We appreciate your time, your consideration, and your loving hearts. God bless you all!
Anita Navarra

Religious Education Registration

Registration for Wednesday evening religious Education will take place after all masses on August 2 and 3 in the Education Center. We will again be offering classes for Pre-school through 12th grade. A calendar will be handed out at registration.

Registration does need to happen in person. Families will be asked to fill out a registration form and will receive a handbook with a schedule. Those registering on our selected registration dates will receive a discounted fee.



Daughters of Isabella will not have a booth at the Decatur County Fair, sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Natural Family Planning promotes loving families.

Parenthood is an awesome and joyful vocation. Yet bringing children into the world and into a relationship is never an easy decision because of the tremendous responsibilities that being a parent brings. How couples respond to and communicate about their own procreative powers is an extremely important element of their marriage. Natural Family Planning (NFP) is unique among the methods of family planning because it enables its users to work with the body rather than against it.

NFP is based on scientific research and is based on observations of the naturally occurring signs and symptoms of the fertile and infertile phases of a woman's cycle. No drugs, devices, or surgical procedures are used to avoid or achieve pregnancy. NFP reflects the dignity of the human person within the context of marriage and family life, promotes openness to life, and recognizes the value of a child. By respecting the love-giving and life-giving nature of marriage, NFP can enrich the bond between husband and wife.

When couples are taught by competent teachers, understand the methods, and are motivated to follow them, NFP is up to 99% successful in spacing or limiting births. There are several classes offered nearby. Please call any of the following for information:

Columbus/John/Heather Rennekamp, 812-445-3160

Hamburg & Enochsburg/Paul/Linda Weckenbrock, 812-487-2239

Batesville & Sunman/Andrew/Angela Hudepohl, 812-623-1415

Rest in Peace

Let us remember and pray for all of our deceased family, friends and loved ones. May they rest in peace.

Daniel Burgmeier – 5/29/08

Heather Fisse – 6/1/08

Eugene Owens – 6/4/08

Ernest Wilmer – 6/7/08

Leonard Welage –

Paul Koors –

Crystal Stuehrenberg -

“What we keep in memory is ours unchanged forever.”

Please pick up your pictorial directory at the parish office.

Resource in Parish Library

“Living Like Francis Today” by Marci Blum, OSF provides readers a tool to focus their attention on God as they examine their own lifestyles. This book could be used for a small faith sharing group as it provides scripture, reflection questions, prayer, and ideas for Christian living.

“The Our Father” by Joan Mitchell, CSJ is also a reflection process for small groups. It teaches us that God is as intimate and unconditionally loving to us as parents are to their children.

“You Can Change the World” by Fr. James Keller. This book tells in clear, specific terms how one's role in life, though it may be a humble one, can be a vital force in creating a decent world for all of us.

“Celebrating Faith” by Mary Farrell has year round activities for Catholic Families. For each holiday, season, milestone or celebration, family-friendly activities and reflections are provided that parents can use to share their Catholic faith with their young children.

“Quiet Strength” by Tony Dungy is now in our parish resource library. Millions of people have been amazed by the success of this quiet, authoritative man and wondered how he gets it done. Tony reveals the secrets to his success, principles, practices, and priorities that have kept him on track despite overwhelming personal and professional obstacles. His thoughts can inspire you to look at the things that really matter in your own life. *Check it out!*

“Perfectly Yourself; 9 Lessons for Enduring Happiness” by Matthew Kelly is our newest book by this author to add to our collection. Here he addresses the opportunities and obstacles that we encounter once we decide to ask life's big questions. Focusing on nine powerful and practical lessons, Kelly shows us how to find lasting happiness in a changing world.

“Are You Really Listening – Keys to Successful Communication” by Paul Donoghue and Mary Siegel. Both are practicing psychotherapists that have studied ways people don't listen. Listening is an essential skill worth every effort to practice and learn. Half of the population – parents, wives, bosses – complain that the other half isn't listening. Listening opens us to the world and the people around us.

Batesville Deanery Resource Center – Did you know that St. Mary's Parish is a member of the Resource Center? All parishioners are welcome to check out materials. They are open Mon. - Thurs. 10AM to 4PM. Sometimes they close for lunch. The phone number is 812-933-6407. Resources are taken out for 3 weeks and can be renewed. Resources include children's books and videos, adult inspirational materials, bible studies and other types of group studies.

SERVERS

SAT./SUNDAY – JULY 19/20

4:30 p.m. Megan Blankman – Jessica Hensley
7:00 a.m. David Navarra – Blake Simon
9:00 a.m. Tommy Colson – Bryant Himes
11:00 a.m. Miranda Kessens – Haley Vanderbur

WEEKDAY – JULY 21-25

7:15 a.m. Madelyn Hunger – Taylor Lang

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – JULY 26/27

4:30 p.m. Lillie Wolter – Vanessa Lawrence
7:00 a.m. Jesse Elsner – David Bokelman

9:00 a.m. Austin Diekhoff – Jordan Lloyd

11:00 a.m. Mary Young – Sara Kramer

WEEKDAY – JULY 28-AUGUST 1

7:15 a.m. Taylor Reed – Brandon Hempstead

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – AUGUST 2

4:30 p.m. Jacob & Tony Moorman

7:00 a.m. Tyler Luber – Adam Swinford

9:00 a.m. Shine Duncan – Shane Ploeger

11:00 a.m. Josh & Joel Chase

WEEKDAY – AUGUST 4-8

7:15 a.m. Allison & Erin Hamilton

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – AUGUST 9

4:30 p.m. Brent Bohman – Dustin Sherman

7:00 a.m. Lauren & Jamie Reed

9:00 a.m. Samantha & Sabrina McCullough

11:00 a.m. Travis & Craig Schebler

WEEKDAY – AUGUST 11-15

7:15 a.m. Tori Giddings – Madison Bower

LECTORS

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – JULY 19/20

4:30 p.m. Hugh Miller
7:00 a.m. Dennis Doerflinger
9:00 a.m. Brent Muckerheide
11:00 a.m. Monty Shields

SAT./SUNDAY – JULY 26/27

4:30 p.m. Linda Weigel

7:00 a.m. John Nieman

9:00 a.m. Donna Swinford

11:00 a.m. Don Wickens

SAT./SUN. – AUGUST 2/3

4:30 p.m. Art Alunday

7:00 a.m. Donna Stewart

9:00 a.m. Linda Greiwe

11:00 a.m. Dick Rust

SAT./SUNDAY – AUGUST 9/10

4:30 p.m. Brian Wenning

7:00 a.m. Sandy Meyer

9:00 a.m. Dave Weigel

11:00 a.m. Youth Mass

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – JULY 19/20

4:30 p.m. Rita Hellmich – Diane Humpert
Priscilla Kramer – Bert McQueen
Sandy Meyer – Cindy Nelson-Schlarb
7:00 a.m. Tim & Kim Stone
Phyllis Schwering – Vince Schwering
Roger & Mary Ann Welage
9:00 a.m. Carol Blasdel – Rita Burkert
Susie Colson – Sharon Crites
Nancy Fogg – Ben Fischer
11:00 a.m. Lindsay Hart – Angie Hersley
Teresa Horan – Kim Meyer
Berniece Menkedick – Bill Powers

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – JULY 26/27

4:30 p.m. Emilie Pank – Irene Schutte
Dorothy Redelman – Rosemary Schroeder
Jeremy Sherman – Rachel Redmon

7:00 a.m. Helen Wagner – Marge Bruns
Gabriel & Lydia Abellada

Art & Ana Alunday

9:00 a.m. Mary Green – Jill Fuel

Charles & Linda Greiwe

Bernie & Janet Hagerty

11:00 a.m. Clare Pratt – Tom Ricke

Diana Robbins – Travis Schebler

Tom & Jenny Schebler

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – AUGUST 2/3

4:30 p.m. Greta Solgere – Sara Stier

Ruth Springmeyer – Jim Tebbe

Kathy Whitmore – Betty Baker

7:00 a.m. Marilyn Davis – Sally Koors

Denny Doerflinger – Sheila Kirchhoff

Helen Froehling – Paulette Duerstock

9:00 a.m. Rose Hellmich – Pat Koors

Carol Kramer – Jean Kramer

Donna Lecher – Hank Martin

11:00 a.m. Beverly Stiers – Angie Wesseler

Chris & Kristy Tebbe

Ernie & Patty Stephens

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – AUGUST 9/10

4:30 p.m. Barb Brown – Becky Brown

Mike & Christy Bokelman

Kathy Davis – Johanne Davis

7:00 a.m. Linda Luber – Kathy Nobbe

Mary Ann Luken – Karen O'Bryan

Mary Ellen Menkedick – Carol Ann Nobbe

9:00 a.m. Steve Meyer – Anita Navarra

Barb Noah – Mary Preble

Mike & Diane Novak

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

Sara Welage – Lynne AmRhein

Darlene Banks – Jennifer Blankman

GREETERS

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – JULY 19/20

4:30 p.m. Patty & Ernie Stephens
Tim & Carol Blasdel
7:00 a.m. Mike & Sheila Kirchhoff
9:00 a.m. Dave & Linda Weigel
11:00 a.m. Charlie & Carol Kramer
Carl Stier – Luann Cain

SAT./SUN. – JULY 26/27

4:30 p.m. Kathie Davis
7:00 a.m. Roger Welage
Frank Schmidt
9:00 a.m. Art & Ana Alunday
11:00 a.m. Monty & Kathy Shields
Heidi Laudick

Elvera Muckerheide

SAT./SUN. – AUGUST 2/3

4:30 p.m. Don & Barb Horan
Dan & Tami Wenning

7:00 a.m. Pat & Mona Hahn

9:00 a.m. Gary Ortman/Al Knecht

Herb Summers/Dale Crites

11:00 a.m. Andrea McKee – Norm Wolter

Bill Obermeyer – Teresa Horan

SAT./SUN. – AUGUST 9/10

4:30 p.m. Kenny & Nancy Buening

7:00 a.m. Kenny & Sally Koors

9:00 a.m. Mike & Patty Hensley

11:00 a.m. Brian & Patty Wenning

Tom & Suzanne Horan

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS (USHERS)

SAT. – JULY 5, 12, 19, 26

4:30 p.m. (Captain) Greg Navarra, Aaron Sizemore, Ken & Robin Nobbe

SUNDAY – JULY 6, 13, 20, 27

7:00 a.m. (Captain) Carl Buening, Randy

Hoeing, Kenny Koors, Jim Doerflinger

9:00 a.m. (Captain) Al Knecht, Tim Blasdel,

Mike Porter, Lawrence Schoeder

11:00 a.m. (Captain) Harold & Berniece

Menkedick, Dan Scheidler, Jim Hagerty

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The deadline for all materials for the parish Speaker is the **12th** of each month. Any materials submitted after the deadline will be published the following month, if the article is still a current nature.

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Weekend Masses

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday – 3:30 p.m.

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Communion – Holy Communion is taken to the elderly and the sick regularly. Please let us know if you wish to receive Communion at home.

Weddings – Please contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.

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