

April 14, 2013 - Third Sunday of Easter

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Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. — Jn 21:12-13



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St. Mary's Mission Statement: St. Mary Church is a community of faith united in Eucharist and committed to seeking God through prayer; sharing our gifts of time, talent and treasure; providing formation and education for children and adults; responding to the needs of people by sharing our faith and resources. We are dedicated to living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm

Website: <http://stmary.irelandindiana.com>

Weekend Masses at St. Mary Church:

Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 7:00am, 9:00am & 10:30am

Weekend Masses at Precious Blood Church:

Saturday 5:30pm Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

Weekday Masses at St. Mary Church:

Tuesday and Thursday 7:30am

Weekday Masses Precious Blood Church:

Wednesday 8:00am, Friday 8:10am & Saturday 8:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary Church:

Tuesday & Thursday 7:00-7:20am

Saturday 4:00-4:50pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday & Thursday 7:00-7:20am

Anointing of the Sick:

Available by request, especially before surgery and in case of emergencies.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the Parish Office regarding Baptism appointments.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance.

Marriage Preparation paperwork must be completed before the marriage can take place.

Homebound Parishioners: Communion calls are made on Monday mornings to parishioner's homes. Call the parish office if you would like a visit from our Eucharistic Minister.

Mass Intentions

Sat-April 13	5:00 pm	Paul Stratman & Jason Meyer
Sun-April 14	7:00 am	Leo & Mary Mehringer
	9:00 am	The Arnold Heim Family
	10:30 am	Members of the Parish
Tues-April 16	7:30 am	Jerome & Valeria Bellner
Thurs-April 18	7:30 am	Marie Guth
Sat-April 20	5:00 pm	Gene & Dianne Mehringer's 50th Wedding Anniversary
Sun-April 21	7:00 am	Ron Stenftenagel
	9:00 am	Dan & Marie Rohleder
	10:30 am	Members of the Parish

*Normally we are scheduling Masses for the next calendar year by now. Because of strategic planning, we will not schedule any Masses, except special wedding anniversary Masses, until July 1.

Readings for the Week of April 14, 2013

Sunday:	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14
Monday:	Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	Acts 7:51--8:1a/Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday:	Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30



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***Budgeted Weekly Operating Costs: \$13,670.00**
Collection for the weekend of April 6 & 7

270 Envelopes.....	\$	11,015.00
Loose	\$	767.05
Average ACH deposit.....	\$	4,220.75
Children's Collection.....	\$	17.50
Total Weekend Collection.....	\$	16,020.30
Overage.....	\$	2,350.30

Thank You!!!!!!

Mass Attendance for April 6 & 7

5:00pm [302] 7:00am [205] 9:00am [260] 10:30am [-]

April

- 14:** St. John Church, Daylight, Chicken & Ham Dinner 10:30am to 1:30pm.
- 19 & 20:** Rummage Sale at St. Anthony Fellowship Hall, St. Anthony. Lots of different items. April 19, 7:00am-6:00pm and April 20, 7:00am-noon.
- 20:** "Harvest of Wisdom: Exploring the Benedictine Blessings of Prayer, Work, Balance, and Hospitality" 9:30am to 4:00pm. Call 367-1411 ext 2915 to register or for more info.
- 21:** A Healing Mass at Precious Blood at 3:30pm. Fr. John Judie Celebrant. For info call Charles Mendel at 482-7502 or go to <http://psci.net/blitzen/>.
- 28:** St Joseph Parish will be "Celebrating our Founders - Fr. Kundek and St. Mother Theodore Guerin" at the Dubois County Museum. St. Joseph Parish is planning an open house from 1:00-4:00pm at the museum to "Celebrate Our Founders" and the exhibit honoring St. Joseph Church.

2013 Irish Sweepstake Winners for April 5

Congratulations to our \$500 winners, Pat & Joni Dillon and our \$100 winner, Jeff Leinenbach.

St. Mary's will be collecting **unexpired** manufacture's coupons for our Armed Service Personnel families overseas. Please clip if you can. Questions, call Helen Vonderheide at 661-6740.



Dear St. Mary's Parish,

We have a new Music Director, Gregory DuPont. After Brenda left Charlene has helped to keep things going and for this I deeply thank her. Also, Mary, Jeff, Dan, JoEllen and Jane have assisted with accompaniment. To them I also extend deep gratitude. The choir has done an excellent job seeing us through both Christmas and Easter. Thanks for a job well done.

When Brenda left, an exit interview did take place and she suggested that a full time position was not needed. The personnel committee did review this. Looking at a part time position would not be as taxing to our Parish budget. These are things that we take seriously when looking at how best to serve our Parish. I remind myself time and again that I must make certain that we are good stewards to that which all our benefactors generously give. The Personnel Committee decided to share a part time person who had been already been interviewed. Gregory is the current Music Director at Precious Blood. He has met with Charlene, Mary, Jeff and Jane. He and Charlene will be working out a schedule for accompaniments.

He will alternate between the parishes and will schedule accompanists that we currently use to help fill in the spots. He will be available for the funeral Masses as well. Gregory is currently looking at the choir schedule for both parishes and will adjust those that overlap. He will assist in practice and help us in our music ministry.

Gregory brings with him the experience of being a Music Director at several parishes. He served at St. Paul's in Tell City as well as St. Mary's in Evansville. He has also worked at a Parish outside the State. Gregory plays both the piano and organ. He is able to both direct and sing. His music skills will add to our current music ministry and I am sure all of us will welcome him as a part of the St. Mary's Parish. His office will be located in the Parish Center, where Brenda's old office was located. *Fr. Gary*



St. Mary Preschool - Chalk Box

We love this weather, don't you? It's a great reminder to give thanks to God when you see and experience the beauty outdoors! We have been enjoying the sunshine outdoors and have been crafting sunshine indoors! This week, our Year 2 preschoolers learned about symmetry when they painted symmetrical butterflies to hang in our classroom. Meanwhile, our Year 1 students practiced their cutting skills to create flowers for our bulletin board! At the end of our week, we each brought something special to school for Show & Tell! We were so busy enjoying and spreading sunshine this week! ~Ms. Holly

Kelby Uebelhor will be completing an **Eagle Scout Project** with St. Mary's Preschool this summer. Part of the project is creating a library for the preschool. If you would like to donate new or gently used children's books you may leave them in the box in the back of church or call Kelby Uebelhor at 309-0277. Thanks for your help.

We welcome into the Family of God:

Aubrey Theresa Neuhoff, child of Justin and Emily (Wehr) Neuhoff,



Jake Albert Renner, child of Max and Kendra (Schmitt) Renner,

Braden William Wehr, child of Luke and Alana (Detzer) Wehr.

Congratulations!!

Catholic Social Teaching Two Feet of Social Justice

Charity and justice have been called the two feet of Catholic Social Teaching. Charity meets the immediate needs of persons and families. It treats the symptoms of social problems. Charity calls forth a generous response from individuals and responds to particular situations. Justice changes social structures that attack human dignity, oppress people, and contribute to poverty.

Pope Benedict XVI expresses it in this way, "The church cannot neglect the service of charity any more than she can neglect the sacraments and the word. Charity must animate the entire lives of the lay faithful and therefore also their political activity, lived as 'social charity.'"

St. Patrick's Celebration, Inc. would like to thank St. Mary Parish for the use of their grounds and buildings during the festivities. Special thanks to Fr. Gary for the Bike Blessing, Charlene Sermersheim, Mary Robling and the choir for the Irish music during the special Mass and to Dianne Gogel for the scheduling and Annette Witte for helping with the cafeteria. Also thanks to all of you for supporting our Celebration. We have been able to contribute to many organizations, such as Ireland Youth Sports and the Ireland Historical Society. We have donated defibrillators to Ireland Elementary and St. John's Lutheran Church and a wheelchair for St. Mary's. Our organization's goal is for the betterment and beautification of the town of Ireland and the surrounding townships of Madison and Boone. Hopefully you have enjoyed the landscaping and sign at the stoplight, the green lighting over Hwy 56, the Christmas displays, and now you can see the water tower from miles around! Our next project is to put some landscaping on the west side of town along with, in the future, some lighting on the bridge. We welcome any suggestions of projects you might like to see done. Any organization in the community may make a request for funds to our group, just contact one of our board members or attend a meeting. We strongly hope some of you will volunteer to serve on our committee as it takes a lot of people to put on this weekend. And of course we are always looking for new ideas. Thanks again for your support! See you on **September 14 for Halfway to St. Patty's Day Irish Road Bowling!**

St. Patrick's Celebration, Inc. – Board Members
Jeff Schitter Barb Leinenbach Barb Nordhoff Janet Schitter
Kathy Rinderknecht Sue Vonderheide Sharon Seifert

This Week's Parish Events

Sunday [04/14]:

- **Christian Mothers Prayers** after all Masses. Everyone is invited to stay and pray.
- **Children's Liturgy of the Word** for **grades 1 & 2** during the 9:00am Mass. **Sunday School** in the Social Hall basement for **ages 3-6** during the 9:00am Mass.
- **Confirmation Retreat** for current 8th graders 2:00-7:00pm. Meet in the Community Center Cafeteria.

Monday [04/15]:

- **Quilting** at 6:00pm in the Rectory basement.
- **Rosary** for St. Mary Parish at 6:00pm in church.
- **Servants of the Holy Spirit** at 7:00pm in the Library.

Tuesday [04/16]:

- **Mass** will be celebrated at 7:30am.

Wednesday [04/17]:

- **Rosary** at 11:30am in church.
- **Quilting** 1:00pm-4:00pm in the Rectory basement.
- **St. Anne's Sewing Room** opens at 6:00pm in the Rectory Basement.

Thursday [04/18]:

- **Mass** will be celebrated at 7:30am.

Sunday [04/21]:

- **World Day of Prayer for Vocations** - Please pray for our priests, brothers, deacons, and women and men in consecrated life, that they be great witnesses to the whole Church and that their examples strengthen within our youth the desire to seek God's will for their lives.
- **Second Collection** for the Community Food Bank.

St. Mary's Men's Church Softball League - It is time to sign up for this summer's program. The league is open to men of the parish who are 16 years or older or any Ireland K of C member. If you were on a team roster last year, your team captain will contact you to see if you want to play this year. Anyone else that would like to join should contact Fred Boehm at 482-4419. Those wishing to play on the softball field must have their own personal insurance coverage. If an injury occurs, the **Diocese of Evansville and St. Mary Church will not be liable for medical costs.** A waiver must be signed by everyone participating in our softball league, especially those under the age of 18.

The family of Victor Bohnenkamper would like to extend our thanks and gratitude to Fr. Gary Kaiser for the beautiful service for Victor. We appreciate all the help and kindness from Sherri and Dianne in preparation for the funeral service. Thanks to Deacon Gagne and the server, Ron Vonderheide. Thanks to all who helped prepare the food for the bereavement meal and who helped serve and clean up, etc. Thanks also to Sr. Mary Louise Uebelhor, the organist, and Tom Miller, the soloist, for the beautiful music. We greatly appreciate all those who attended the funeral service. Your kindness and support will always be remembered. *The Victor Bohnenkamper family*

Upcoming Parish Events

- April 14:** Confirmation Retreat for current 8th graders 2:00-7:00pm
- April 27 & 28:** First Communion here at St. Mary.
- May 4 & 5:** Ireland K of C Tootsie Roll Drive
- May 7:** St. Anne's Meeting
- May 18:** Graduating Senior Mass at 5:00pm with a meal to follow.
- June 10-14:** Vacation Bible School
- June 22, 23 & 24:** TEC here at St. Mary.
- July 27, 28 & 29:** TEC here at St. Mary.

Bosco

Thanks to all who supported our fish dinner fundraiser on Friday, April 5!!

- April 14:** No Teen Mass. It has been moved to April 28 which follows Prom night.
- April 17:** House open until 5:00pm for high school youth. Book Buster (Scripture study) for high school youth from 8:30-9:30pm.
- April 19 & 20:** "Service" theme retreat for youth in grades 6-12. Grades 6-8 will attend from 6:00-10:00pm with activities, prayer, snacks, music and speakers. Grades 9-12 will stay overnight and go to Anderson Woods for a day of service on April 20. Ending time will be 4:00pm. Call Becky at 481-2442 with any questions.
- April 20:** P J Anderson, a songwriter and performer, and who will be helping with the retreat, will be doing a concert from 7:00-8:30pm at Holy Family Parish in Fellowship Hall. No cost but a "free will" offering will be taken with proceeds going to benefit the Work Camp trip this summer for the youth.
- April 21:** TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) Follow Up gathering here at St. Mary. Mass at 10:30am, followed by food and "Guy's vs Girl's" activities. Any high school youth can attend this activity. Come meet the TEC community for a day of fun!
- April 28:** Teen Mass has been moved to the last Sunday in April (Prom weekend). It will be at Precious Blood at 6:00pm, followed by pizza for the youth.

*Bosco has openings for the **2013 Catholic Heart Work Camp** in Nashville, TN, June 23-28. Call Becky at 481-2440 to sign up.

St. Mary Parish has 3 girls who received the **Spirit Award**, the highest Girl Scout Catholic Award a scout can earn. They received this award from Bishop Charles at Mass on Sunday, April 7, at Good Shepherd Church in Evansville. The scouts that received the award were **Claire Egler, Kendra Egler and Mallory Schnaus**. Congratulations!!

Did You Know?

Knowing Internet Lingo Can Help Parents Safeguard Kids

Online chat rooms, instant messaging systems, and even cell phones equipped to send text messages are environments rich in abbreviations, acronyms, and other shorthand that help increase the speed of communication. Parents need to become aware of some of the common lingo that is used in these environments. Some of these terms may be found to be vulgar, degrading, or otherwise offensive. However, parents and educators need to have a level of understanding of the dangers that face our children.

Liturgical Ministers for April 20 & 21

SERVERS:

5:00 pm Trevor Leuck - Evan Leuck
7:00 am Kaleb Stenftenagel - Kyle Stenftenagel
9:00 am Leif Durcholz - Eric Gehlhausen
10:30 am Michael Flynn - Mitchell Flynn

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

5:00 pm Jill Weidenbenner - Landon Weidenbenner -
Audrey Wehr - Gene Mehringer - Helen Giesler
7:00 am Linda Rasche - Jenny Hayes - Donna Wendholt -
Shari Weidenbenner - Joe Jerger
9:00 am Donna M Renner - Linda Giesler - Eugene Hopf -
Mandy Harris - Carla Durcholz
10:30 am Debbie Schwenk - Linda Schmitt - Sue Pitstick -
Lisa Gehlhausen - Tammy Sermersheim

LECTORS:

5:00 pm Steve Buechler
7:00 am Tonya Sander
9:00 am Carey Schmitt
10:30 am Barb Leinenbach

Lectors Website: www.lectorsproclaim.org (Year C)

USHERS:

5:00 pm Greg Matheis - Don Nigg
7:00 am Doug Scherle - Larry Vollmer
9:00 am Brad Leinenbach - Kevin Shepherd
10:30 am Linda Eisenhut - Gina Scherle

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Dana Senninger

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Collect: May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Reflection

This Collect is full of exuberance and confidence. It calls to mind the exuberance and confidence of the disciples as they focus on following God rather than the desires of the officials around them who are afraid.

We are renewed in our spirit to look forward to all that will come. Our youth and young adults bring a great deal of idealism to the Church and the world. They are adventurous and committed deeply to the ties of friendship that bind them together. They have no way of knowing what the future may hold, and yet they face it with hope each and every day.

We are reminded that we are the adopted sons and daughters of the Lord, an adoption that is glorified through the Resurrection of Christ. As adopted children, we are accepted by the Lord with all of our personal joys and challenges. Adoption brings us in this life the new hope and new life that the resurrection will bring us in the next life.

In this reality, we are called to be hopeful and idealistic in following the Lord each day. We should not worry about the future, but must trust in the ultimate joy of the resurrection. There are many fears that can hold us back from serving as God has called us to serve. Like the youth around us, we must believe in the presence of our risen Lord. We must face the future with idealism. We must exult in the Lord!

Prayer

Loving Father, renew me each day for the joys and challenges that are ahead. Grant me eternal hope in your Resurrection that I may follow where you lead.

Submitted by: Virginia Meagher, Director, Office for Worship, Diocese of Stockton