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Masses:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday**: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. **Weekday**: Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:45 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. & Saturday, 3:00 - 3:30 pm. or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated during or after any weekend Mass. Instructions for parents having their first child baptized are held the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Cherie Freewalt to schedule a date.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact Fr. Stan AT LEAST SIX MONTHS prior to your proposed wedding date to begin preparation for your marriage and to schedule a date.

New to the Parish?

Bingo

We are glad to welcome you as a member of our Parish Family. Please stop by or call the Parish Office to register. Welcome!

# **Directory**

**Parish Office:**.....(419) 238-3979 **Parish Fax:**....(419) 238-3957

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# **Office Hours:**

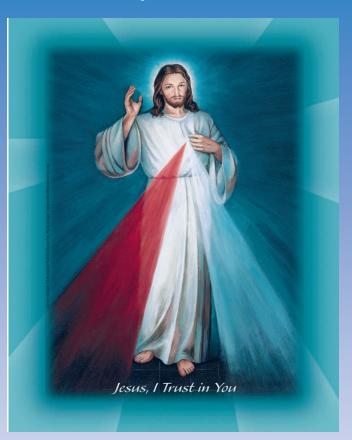
Monday through Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

## **Bulletin Deadline:**

Monday at NOON, in writing

# **April 23, 2017**

# 2nd Sunday of Easter



# **This Week in Our Parish**

Sun Apr 23: Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 pm

Private Confessions 2:00 pm

Bingo (K of C) 6:15 pm

Wed Apr 26: SOR 6:45-8:00 pm

Youth Group (HFR) 6:45-8:00 pm

Thur Apr 27: First Communion Retreat

Bingo (K of C) 6:15 pm

Fri Apr 28: Family Movie Night 6:00 pm

# Liturgical Schedule

# SUNDAY, APRIL 23 + DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

8:30 AM Gail Packer 10:30 AM St. Mary's Parish

#### MONDAY, APRIL 24 + ST. FIDELIS

No Services

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 25 + ST. MARK

8:00 AM-5:30 PM Adoration

5:30 PM Benediction and Evening Prayer 6:00 PM Felisa Sarminento Sebastian

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

8:45 AM Jim Kesler

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 27

8:45 AM Sean Teets

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 28

8:45 AM Doc Vonderwell

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 29

4:00 PM John Krol

# SUNDAY, APRIL 30

8:30 AM Ann Carter 10:30 AM St. Mary's Parish



# Servers, Eucharistic Minister, Lector & Usher Schedules for April 29 & 30, 2017

## SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 4:00 PM

Servers: James Reinhart, Brandon & Annie Renner E. M.: T Heckler, G Hirzel, J Hoersten, C Mowry,

A Renner, L Vonderwell, M Yackey

Ushers: Terry Johnson, D Heckler, D Hohman, D Renner

Lector: Pat Johnson

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 8:30 AM

Servers: Ashley & Kaitlyn Motycka, Kateri Steinecker E. M.: M Dickman, C Golliver, ALaurent, S Laurent,

J Plas, T Plas, B Wasserman

Ushers: <u>Jim Brickner</u>, R Knueve, S Thomas, D Krizay,

B Wolke, E Fox

Lector: Jacquie Reinemeyer

# **SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 10:30 AM**

Servers: Allison Berryman, Braxton & Caton Williamson E. M.: C Reindel, A Schaufelberger, J Terhark, R Terhark

B Tobias, R Turnwald, B Williamson

Ushers: Charles Brickner, M Keber, D Allmandinger,

D Keber, J Meyers, B Keber

Lector: Cherie Freewalt

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Please come forward immediately when the prayers for extending Peace are offered. This will help substitutes know they are needed and allow sufficient time to be ready at the altar. Also, please watch for a total of 8 with Father, Deacons and yourselves.

# **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

The Octave of Easter ends with the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday.

On this day, we call to mind the vision of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, a Polish Sister, to whom the Lord appeared with rays radiating from His heart.

"The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. The two rays issued forth from the very depth of My tender mercy when My agonized heart was opened by a lance on the Cross."

In her diary, St. Faustina records a request she feels comes directly from the Lord. "At the three o'clock hour implore My mercy, especially for sinners, and if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony. This is the hour of great mercy for the world. In this hour I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My passion."

Our prayer will begin with Confession at 2:00PM and the sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 PM. According to St. Faustina's vision, anyone, even the most hardened sinner, who recites the Chaplet even once, will receive great mercy at the hour of death.

This seems the perfect time to say "thank you" to all parishioners, staff and ministers who had a part in making the liturgies of Holy Week and Easter Sunday the beautiful celebrations they were. We are especially grateful to the ministers of the sick in nursing homes, our parish RCIA team, volunteers who decorated the Church, and all those who worked behind the scenes.

I am deeply appreciative of those who make a sacrificial offering to our parish this season and all who offer regular, weekly support. Your generosity demonstrates not only your love for God, but for our parish, its ministries, and those whose lives are touched by your sharing.

"Jesus, have mercy on us and on the whole world!"

Fr. Stan

# **Religious Education Connection**

The Second Grade SOR has been discussing that Jesus was crucified on the cross and then buried in the tomb. The "Empty Tomb" snack signifies Jesus' Resurrection with only his burial linens left behind in the tomb.

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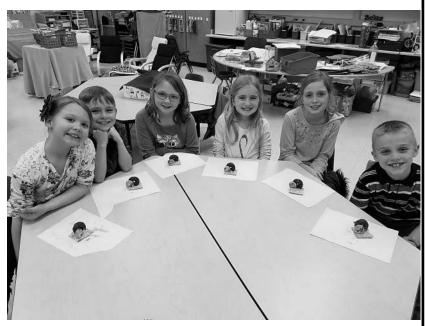
The class would like to share this snack with you. May you have the "aha!" moment when the stone is rolled away and what you discover is the empty tomb!

# **Empty Tomb Snack**

Green frosting (grass)
Graham crackers (ground)
Mini chocolate donut (tomb)
Mini chocolate chip cookie (large stone)

Frost the graham cracker with the frosting.
Place the donut on end on the frosting.
Place the cookie in front of the donut hole.
Now roll the "stone" aside to reveal the empty tomb.

# The Empty Tomb Lesson Second Grade SOR





# **SCHOOL NEWS**

We believe our Catholic School is not only a school, but a community of faith.

# **Perseverance Life Skill Award Winners**

Recently our students focused on ways that they could show Perseverance in their everyday activities. At the end of two weeks each teacher selected a student from their class that they felt best demonstrated Perseverance both inside and outside the classroom. Congratulations to the Perseverance Award Winners and keep up the great work.



# **Times Bulletin Design an Ad Winners**

Recently our 5th Grade students competed in the Times Bulletin's Design an Ad Contest. Students selected an area business and created a unique ad for them to be displayed in and addition of the Van Wert Times Bulletin. Congratulations goes to 1st Place winner Tyler Spray, 2nd Place winner Jaden Kohen and 3rd Place winner Alyssa Knittle.





April 23 CALLER NEEDED, ED FOX, Lisa Burk, Chelsea Reindel

April 27 Ed Fox, JIM BRICKNER, Dave Hohman, Ashley Lantz, Ryan Lindemann

April 30 ED FOX, Paul Oechsle, Sindi Hazeltine, Pam

Cassidy, Rosemary Dunno

May 4 Ed Fox, Staff Night

# KITCHEN WORKERS Report By 4:30 PM

April 23 Tim & Stacy Dealey

April 27 Sharyn Smith and Theresa Anderson April 30 MichelleRupert and Dawn Berryman May 4 Laura Rhoades and Jennifer Schrader

St. Mary's Bingo—K of C Hall 425 Woodland Ave.

Doors open at 4:00 PM for games-Warm-Up Bingo at 6:15 PM

# RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR APRIL 9, 2017

ADULT OFFERING FROM 155 ENVELOPES
TOTAL ANONYMOUS
CHILDREN OFFERING FROM 7 ENVELOPES
TOTAL

\$7,217.64
411.85
10.15
\$7,639.64

# RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR EASTER

ADULT OFFERING FROM 208 ENVELOPES
TOTAL ANONYMOUS
CHILDREN OFFERING FROM 8 ENVELOPES
TOTAL
\$11,190.65
1,044.00
20.00
\$12,254.65

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# **HAVE YOU SET UP BILL PAY?**

Angie has seen an increase in donations she receives through parishioners BILL PAY accounts. It is so easy to set it up and for her to record. She receives a check in the mail from your bank and records with all the other deposits.

# ATTENTION MOWERS!!!



Mower schedules are ready for pick-up in the Parish Office.



# ALTAR FLOWERS FOR MOTHER'S/ FATHER'S DAY

Again this year we have the opportunity to remember or honor our mothers and fathers with flowers around the altar. The Church always looks beautiful with all our efforts.

Envelopes are in the pews for your donations that can be put in the regular Sunday collection or dropped off at the Parish Office. The flowers will be tagged "in honor of" or "in memory of" whatever name the donor wishes. Deadline for donations is April 28 so the flowers can be purchased in time.



After Mother's Day the perennials will be planted in our St. Mary's Rosary Gardens to be enjoyed for several years.

# DESSERT BAR AT FISH FRY UPDATE!

Over \$1600 was collected this year for the St. Vincent de Paul Society at the dessert bar during the weekly K of C Fish Fries this Lent. A sincere thank you to everyone who supported this effort by either donating baked goods or getting an item (or two) at the dessert bar. A special thanks to the following groups for their help with this project: Parish Life, Pastoral Council, Youth Group, Pregnancy Life Center, St. Mary's School and the Contemporary Music Group!

Thanks again and hope to see you back next year!

Kelly Andersen, Rev. Tony Bus, Joy Demidovich, Steve Dietrich, Robert Ford, Stacie Golliver, Cyndi

Hesseling, Michael Kahle, Patricia Kinkle, Megan Klosterman, Kourtney Kohnen, Robert Lammers, Rita Lewis, Beth Lianez, Mary Alice Louagie, Tom Metzger, Kirk Michaud, Joan Miller, Lane Mosier, Dean Osburn, Janice Osburn, George Palombi, Theresa Parkanzky, Tyler Priest, Doris Reinhart, Joel Rivera, Julie Sadler, Bob Say, Mary Say, Jim Schneider, Tom Stachler, Melba Voltz, Russ Waltmire, Brad Wannemacher, Anne Wells, Chris Wilson, Bob Wolters, Larry Youtsey

Please call the Parish Office at the beginning of each month to continue the above name(s) on the prayer list. The sick person or a close relative are the only ones who should call to add or remove name(s) to this list.

GOD BLESS OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN-Please pray for all those serving in our military: Lance Corp. Josh Bolenbaugh, Capt. Virginia Brickner, Sgt. William (Ed) Carter, Commander Christopher Cavanaugh, Lance Corp. Tyler Goodlin, Airman Andrew Hammond, Airman Leisal Hanf-Fleming, Corp. Kleman, MSG Andrew McMahon, Corp. Joseph Moreland, SSgt. Nate Sinning, MSgt. Robert SRA Ashley Stant, Spec. Stevenson, Pvt. R. J. Szymanski

and Sgt. Brian Wilson. Please submit to the Parish Office names of parishioners who are currently serving in the armed forces.





# Welcome to St. Mary's thru Baptism

# BROOKS MONROE MOSIER

Daughter of Jason & Katherine Mosier

# SAVE THE DATE



CINCO DE MAYO PARTY! FRIDAY, MAY 5TH K OF C HALL K OF C MEMBERS & LADIES AND GUESTS

MORE INFO TO FOLLOW



Youth Group The next Youth Group meeting Swill be Wednesday, April 26th in the Holy Family Room at 6:45 pm. I

# Divine Mercy Chaplet

April 23 at 3 pm

Join in this beautiful chaplet with song and prayer!



Confessions begin at 2 pm

# OPERATION RICE BOWL

Please drop your rice bowl in the tubs at the church entrances. Our faith community helped make a difference in the lives of millions of people around the world suffering from poverty. Thank you for your generous support!

I would like to THANK all who helped with my 25th Anniversary celebration. I appreciate all the time and thoughtfulness of those who sent cards and stopped by to wish me congratulations. ~Deacon Andy

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER





# Readings for the Week of April 23, 2017

Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Sunday:

Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-9/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk

16:15-20

Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21 Wednesday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/Jn 3:31-Thursday:

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15 Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-Saturday:

Next Sunday: Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2,

5, 7-11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35



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