## July 2, 2017

# St. Mary Catholic Church

601 Jennings Road ~ Van Wert, Ohio 45891

Pastor

Rev. Stanley Szybka

Deacon

Deacon Andrew McMahon

Principal Dan Metzger

Coordinator Religious Ed.

Cheryl Freewalt Office Manager

Angie Renner

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?

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

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#### **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday 8:00am—3:30pm

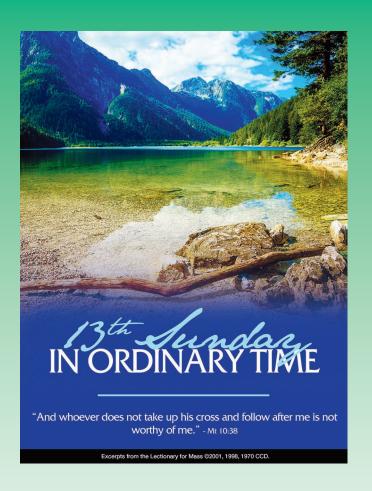
Friday

8:00am—Noon

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## This Week in Our Parish

Sun July 2: Bingo (K of C) 6:15 pm

Mon Jul 3: Parish Office Open 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Tue Jul 4: Independence Day

> Mass 8:45 am

**NO Adoration** 

Parish Office Closed

Wed Jul 5: Parish Office Open 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Thu Jul 6: Bingo (K of C) 6:15 pm

Fri Jul 7: First Friday

> Mass at Van Crest 10:00 am

Adoration (Chapel) 8:00 pm-8:00 am

Sat July 8: Saturday Mass 8:00 am

## Liturgical Schedule

SUNDAY, JULY 2

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

MONDAY, JULY 3

No Services

TUESDAY, JULY 4 + INDEPENDENCE DAY

8:30 AM Mass for the USA

No Adoration

No Evening Services or Confession

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 + ST. ANTHONY ZACCARIA

8:45 AM John Marshall

THURSDAY, JULY 6 + ST. MARIA GORETTI

8:45 AM Evelyn Staten

FRIDAY, JULY 7 + FIRST FRIDAY

8:45 AM Rovena Wienken 10:00 AM Mass at Van Crest

8:00 PM—8:00 AM Adoration in Chapel

SATURDAY, JULY 8

8:00 PM Mass

4:00 PM June Bailey

SUNDAY, JULY 9

8:30 AM St. Mary's Parish 10:30 AM Alvarado Family



### Servers, Eucharistic Minister, Lector & Usher Schedules for July 8 & 9, 2017

SATURDAY, JULY 8, 4:00 PM

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

T Reinhart, A Renner, PLUS 1

Ushers: <u>Terry Johnson</u>, D Heckler, D Hohman, D Renner

Lector: Pat Johnson

SUNDAY, JULY 9, 8:30 AM

Servers: Zach Dealey, Ashley & Kaitlyn Motycka E. M.: L Fox, J Keipper, G Kulwicki, J Plas, T Plas

L Say, R Turnwald

Ushers: Jim Brickner, R Knueve, S Thomas, D Krizay,

B Wolke, E Fox

Lector: Jacquie Reinemeyer

**SUNDAY, JULY 9, 10:30 AM** 

Servers: Abby Lawson, Haley Owsley, Erin Schaufelberger

E. M.: J Bloomfield, L Lawson, L Pratt, C Reindel, K Rutkowski, A Schaufelberger, B Tobias

Charles Brickner, M Keber, D Allmandinger,

D Keber, J Meyers, B Keber

Lector: Trina Shultz

Ushers:

**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.

#### **GOD BLESS AMERICA!**

For a number of people, the Fourth of July is a great time to get together with family and enjoy the summer weather. Perhaps the gathering is a family reunion, or maybe a group of friends, but a good time is sure to be had by all.

There are a number of traditions from getting away for a few days, to working on that summer project; from cooking outdoors to eating indoors; from volleyball, softball or frisbee, to a quiet spot with a good book or a pleasant summer snooze; from parades to hide-a-ways.

One thing is certain, the day ends with a great fireworks display!

I suspect our founding fathers would be quite pleased with the way the holiday has come to be observed - - seeing people enjoying themselves and having a good time. Their vision of a country in which individuals were free to do as they pleased is certainly evidenced. The diversity of activity and traditions would be ample testimony to this.

They would also, I'm sure, remind us that freedom is not free, and that many have put their lives on the line so that we may enjoy such a life. From the signing of the Declaration of Independence to the vigilance required for safety from violence today, there has always been a cost. Our country is the pride of many who call it home.

We are most grateful to the men and women who are helping other people around the world fight for their freedom. Also, to all those goodwill ambassadors who are helping to improve the quality of life, both here and abroad. We remain indebted to all those first responders who stand ready to help anyone in emergency need. We are also mindful of all those who will work today to take care of children, the elderly, the sick and their caregivers. We say a heartfelt prayer for them, asking God to bless America, on this, its birthday.

I invited you to join us in the celebration of Holy Mass on Tuesday, July 4th, at 8:45 AM in the Church. At that time, we will remember all our special intentions for ourselves and others. Why not make a prayer of gratitude to God a part of your own family holiday tradition?

#### FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA!

Fr. Stan



## SCHOOL NEWS

We believe the values we teach are not only character development, but a call to Holiness.

Summer Bulletins will feature comments and photos of the 9 students who recently graduated from St. Mary's. The information for these comments came from answers they supplied in a written interview. Congratulations to these fine young people.



### Haley Owsley

Haley joined the St. Mary's family in Kindergarten and plans to enroll in Crestview next year. She is the daughter of Sara Berheide and Peter Owsley. She considers her biggest success at St. Mary's to be winning the Quiz Bowl this year. Her greatest challenge was getting good grades. Haley says

she will miss the small class sizes and her friends. Some of her favorite memories at St. Mary's are making friends and playing Hot Potato and Silent Ball. She lists Mr. Hesseling as the staff member who has had a positive influence on her because he taught her about RENT and setting goals in life. She listed Mary as her favorite Bible character because she always had faith in God, and never said no.

Various Pictures of the All our 6th Graders from this past year. Thanks for all the great memories and God Bless all of you on your next stage in life. Once a Royal, Always a Roval!



## **Religious Education Connection**

Although we often think of a prophet as someone, who can foretell the future, a prophet is far more than just a person with that ability.

A prophet is a spokesperson for God to convey a message or teaching. Prophets were role models of holiness, scholarship and closeness to God.

The Hebrew word for a prophet, navi, comes from a term meaning, "fruit of the lips," which emphasizes the prophet's role as a speaker.

Abraham is considered to be the first prophet, although Jewish teaching would say that his wife, Sarah, was a greater prophet than he.

Moses was the great-Old Testament est prophet. having seen God face-to-face having been given God's laws for the people as a teaching to perfection.

## The Prophets

Did You Know?

Not all prophets were example, was called and Gentile people of Nineveh.

Prophets were not only men. Miriam and Deborah were instrumental in the Old Testament. Don't forget the prophetess, Anna. She is the only named prophetess of the New Testament. For a woman to be mentioned in the Bible, she really had to be someone extra special.

The prophets of the Old Testament are divided into two groups, major and minor. The major prophets are Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel. They are called, "major", because of the length of their writing, called to preach to the not because one prophet's message Jewish people. Jonah, for is more important than another's. Each of these four prophet's writings sent to preach to the is contained on a single roll. All the minor prophets' writings together fit on a single roll.



- July 2 Ed Fox, THERESA SAY, Renae Eversole, Jody Knittle
- July 6 Neil Smith, CHARLES BRICKNER,
- Therese Tate, Mary Kay Stegaman, Linda Heitkamp
- July 9 Neil Smith, ED FOX, Matt Krol, Rosemary Dunno, Linda Heitkamp
- July 13 Shirley Straley, ED FOX, Nancy Wollenhaupt, Trina Shultz

### KITCHEN WORKERS Report By 4:30 PM

- July 2 April Korte and Kayla Frye July 6 Brian and Amy Kopack
- July 9 Tricia Berryman and Jamee Ayers
- July 13 Staff

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



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#### RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR JUNE 25, 2017

ADULT OFFERING FROM 122 ENVELOPES
TOTAL ANONYMOUS
CHILDREN OFFERING FROM 10 ENVELOPES
TOTAL
\$5,211.95

## PARISH LIFE OFFERS SERVICES

**St. Mary's?** If you a have a special need for prayer, call Angie at the Parish Office and she will start the phone tree for your request.

**Do you need help with meals during a difficult time?** We have volunteers who want to help! Call Jacquie Reinemeyer at 203-7825 or Maribeth Dickman at 238-6567.

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

#### **MOWER FUNDRAISER**

We need your help to purchase new mowers for the parish.

Ten years ago the K of C purchased the current mower and thanks to a group of volunteers the grounds are mowed every week to keep the church and school looking so well manicured. It is now time to replace both riding lawn mowers due to major repairs that are needed to keep them running. The mowing teams are very frustrated when they volunteer their time only to show up and the equipment is not working properly or not at all.

It is estimated that this has saved the church and school over \$100,000.

Our goal is to raise \$16,000 to purchase two new mowers. Please consider donating for this worthwhile ministry.

Envelopes are in the pews for your donation or you may drop them off at the parish office. *Thank You!* 

## Has your phone number changed? Did you switch to a cell phone?

If you no longer have a "land" line, please contact the Parish Office at 238-3979 to update our records. Thank you!

## **AREA HAPPENINGS**

In marriage, communication is more than just talking. At some point, did you stop sharing about the things that were important to you? Did your spouse?

Improving a marriage takes time and a conscious effort to learn about your spouse. Growing closer in a marriage does not happen automatically. Retrouvaille is a marriage program dedicated to helping couples grow closer and develop a stronger bond. You give your heart and soul to everything you do, between your work and your family. Are you giving your heart and soul to your marriage? For more information about our July 21-23rd Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact our registration team: JOE AND ARLENE @ 419-841-1116 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com.

Bus, Joy Demidovich, Steve Dietrich, Pat Fellers, Robert Ford, Stacie

Golliver, Cyndi Hesseling, Michael Kahle, Megan Klosterman, Kourtney Kohnen, Mariam Lamb, Robert Lammers, Mary Alice Louagie, Nancy Martin, 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 <u>close</u> 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, Sgt. Austin Kleman, MSG Andrew McMahon, CTN2 Quintin Mengerink, Corp. Joseph Moreland, SSgt. Nate Sinning, MSgt. Robert Stant, SRA Ashley Stant, Spec. Jeremy 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.

## **Independence Day Mass**

Fr. Stan will celebrate this day with Mass at 8:45 am on Tuesday July 4th.



What is faith?

How does faith grow?

What do Catholics believe and why is it different from other faith traditions?

How different is it really?

The journey of faith begins with your questions. Classes to learn more about the Catholic faith are available beginning in September. There is no obligation, no commitment, no pressure.

Call Cherie at 238-3079 for more information.



We are planning our 5th ANNUAL St. Mary of the Assumption Designer Purse Bingo. This event will be held on Friday evening, September 15, 2017 at the Knights of Columbus Hall,

425 Woodland Ave in Van Wert. Tickets will go on sale July 15.

There are several ways that you can help us with this fundraiser:

- Make a monetary donation to sponsor a purse. Sponsor levels: Platinum (\$500 or more); Diamond (\$300); Gold (\$200); Silver (\$100); and Bronze (\$50). These donation will be used to purchase authentic designer purses, which will be used as bingo prizes.
- You may purchase an authentic designer purse and donate it to us for our event.
   Some of the designers that we have had in past years are Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade, Dooney & Bourke and Calvin Klein.
- 3. Donate a new item such as fine jewelry, designer wallets, OSU Purses or Wallets, etc. that we can use as a door prize.
- 4. Purchase a gift card through our Scrip program and donate it to our gift card tree raffle. (That helps the school TWICE!)

Over the past four years, we have raised over \$40,000 to help our school and church. If you need more info, contact Therese Marshall at 419-238-3802.

1374 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME







## Readings for the Week of July 2, 2017

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-19/

Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc-2/Jn 20:24-29 Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-12/Mt 8:23-27 Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-13/Mt 8:28-

34

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8 Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-

5/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-6/Mt 9:14-17 Next Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14/Rom

8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30



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