

St. Mary Parish, Greensburg, IN Mass Intentions

In accordance with the approved practice of the Church, St. Mary Parish will accept offerings to apply the Mass for a specific intention.

In order to accommodate intentions from a greater number of our parish members, we will abide by the following guidelines for accepting and scheduling the intentions.

1. Weekend Mass Intentions

Each family may request one weekend Mass for a specific intention throughout the year.

- a. Once a person's name is scheduled on a weekend, one other Mass for that same person can be scheduled on a week day. We will keep a register to oversee the scheduling.
- b. More than one person can be mentioned in a single intention, as long as the persons are family members. i.e. – Ted and Sally Hunter, The Hunter Family, the living and deceased members of the Hunter Family.
- c. The family making the intention request will schedule intentions for other people on a weekday.

2. Weekday Mass Intentions

There will be allowed one weekday Mass intention per person. For example, if

“Sam” asks to have a weekday Mass for his friend “Sally Hunter”.

- Then, “Alice” stops by the office a week later and asks to have a weekday Mass for her aunt, “Sally Hunter”.

“Sally” already has a weekday Mass scheduled. Therefore we will not schedule a second weekday Mass for “Sally”.

We can hold “Alice’s” request and if a time opens up within a year, we then can schedule another weekday Mass for “Sally”. (See #5 for Masses left after one year).

3. Mass Intentions left open purposely

We intend to leave one Mass intention date open each week. This will allow us to schedule for recently deceased in a timely manner.

4. Mass Intentions from funeral home

When we receive Mass intentions from a funeral home, we will schedule one weekend Mass and one weekday Mass for the specific person – **if** there is not already a weekend and/or weekday Mass intention scheduled for that person. The remainder of the intentions received from the funeral home will be sent to our Archdiocesan Mission Office if we have not been able to schedule within one year (See #5).

5. Mass Intentions sent to Archdiocesan Mission Office

- a. Mass intentions that we have not been able to schedule within a year's time will be sent to our Archdiocesan Mission Office.

- b. Mass intentions received from a funeral home that we cannot accommodate within a year's time at our parish will be sent to our Archdiocesan Mission Office.
 - c. The Archdiocesan Mission Office distributes Mass Intentions to retired priests and to missionary priests. Families can be assured that their intention is being celebrated during a Mass. (We will not have information as to which priests receive the intentions that we send).
6. Mass Intentions that we currently have on hand as of November 1, 2017.
- a. Any intentions that we have on hand for a specific person who has not received any intentions as of this date will be scheduled for a weekend and a weekday Mass during the 2018 year. The remainder of intentions for that person will be sent to the Archdiocesan Mission Office.
 - b. Intentions that we have had on hand for more than a year and have already had Mass intentions prayed at our parish will be sent to the Archdiocesan Mission Office. Likewise, those that we have had less than a year and have already had Mass intentions prayed at our parish will also be sent.
 - c. If a family member wishes to take their intentions from us rather than have us send them, the family member may contact us no later than November 14, 2017. Within 3 weeks we can process a refund to you for the Mass Intentions we have on hand so that you may ask another priest to celebrate your intentions.