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Parish office hours are Mon—Friday 8:00 am—4:00 pm

WEBSITE: www.stmarysgreensburg.com

BULLETIN DEADLINE

All bulletin articles will need to be in the office (e-mail or written) no later than 11:00 am on Monday

parishoffice@stmarysgreensburg.com

After parish office hours the number for the emergency anointing of the sick or other urgent matters is (812) 663-8427.

Communion— Holy Communion is taken to the elderly and the sick regularly. Please let us know if you wish to receive. **Weddings**— Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months in advance.

Coming up This Week December 10-16

MONDAY

Adult Choir practice - 6:00 pm Prayer Group - 7:15 pm, church

TUESDAY

Rosary for the Unborn -11:30 am Tasty Tuesday - 5:30 pm Communal Penance 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Religious Ed Classes - 6:30 pm TMIY - 6:30 pm

THURSDAY

RCIA 6:30 pm

SATURDAY

Reconciliation - 3:30 pm

SUNDAY

Bible Study—9:00 am—meeting room 1 8427 ext 200. They will remain on the sick list for 4 we Advent Club (Any 7th -12 grade) - after 10am Mass Advent Evening prayer - 4pm



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the sick and suffering and their families of our parish and community:

Melly Allgeier	Martha Muckerheide
Dottie Bilbrey	Mary Ann Muckerheide
Jerry Bower	Rita Navarra
Mary Bruns	Sara (Schwering) Pigmon
Roseann Cook	Marilyn Preston
Alexis Condon	Jami Reed
Linda Dashiell	Craig Simon
Joe Desra	Sam Simons
Dorothy Fullenkamp	Marilyn Strasburger
David & Pam Hartman	Carl W Veerkamp
Mike Hassler	Dale Veerkamp
Ava Hatton	Jerry Wright
Al Knecht	Vicki Zeigler



Nick Johnston

Delores McCreary
Tim McGinn

Please pray for all of our Armed Forces serving both abroad and in the U.S. especially for:

Chris Alden Logan Kramer Mike Arnold Cynthia Krieger Amanda Batten Jude Levy Ed Beagle Jordan Lloyd Stephen Berggren Codey Martin Rhett Mauer Dustin Blasengame Kristopher Brewsaugh Jeff McNeal Ben Buening Fred Monroe Joe Buening Bryce Moore Tala Clark Sueann Morel **Emily Cornett** Joshua Myers Ben Cornett Matthew Navarra Patrick Cunningham Ricky Powers Joe Davis Steve Redmon Jimmy Demir Scott Reynolds Cameron DeWeese Traye Schoettmer Chris Eineman Andrew Schroeder Trevor Gartenman Stephanie Schutte Daniel Gibson Tyler Schutte Blake Gindling Noah Schwering Shavne Greiwe Landon Shera Paul Hellmich Brantley Springmeyer Adam Herbert Jennifer King Strobel Paul Huber Bill Volk Terry Humpfort Courtney Weintraut Kyle Inscho Ryan Welch

If you have a friend or loved one that you would like to add to our prayer list, please call the parish office @ 812-663-8427 ext 200. They will remain on the sick list for 4 weeks. Military lists remains until you ask us to take them off.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Monday - December 10 7:15 am - Communion Service

Tuesday - December 11
Noon - + Terry Burton
5:30 pm - No Mass
7:00 pm Communal Penance

Wednesday – December 12 8:15 am - +Shirley Ryle +Mary Richards

Thursday - December 13, Heritage House 2:30 pm - +Will Ricke

Friday - December 14, Crown Pointe 2:00 pm - +Irene Schutte

Saturday/Sunday - December 15/16 4:30 pm - +Diana Davis 8:00 am - For the People 10:00 am - +Cliff Kunkel

SERVERS

Tuesday - December 11 5:30 pm - No Mass

Saturday/Sunday - December 15/16 4:30 pm - Molly & Rachel Lipps, Cale Johannigman 8:00 am - William & Joey Everroad, Declan Bruns 10:00 am - Brooke & Brady Mauer, Abe Tebbe

LECTORS

Saturday/Sunday - December 15/16

4:30 pm - Sandy Meyer 8:00 am - Dave Weigel 10:00 am - Bob Blankman

<u>Mass Intentions for 2019</u> can be scheduled starting November 1st at the Parish Office—stop in or call Tina 812-663-8427 ext 200

Openings Available for Adoration Chapel

Do you feel called to be a substitute adorer? We would love to have you! If interested, please contact Linda Ortman, (812) 614-4553 (cell).

We need a **permanent adorer** for Saturday at 6 pm, 7 pm, and 8 pm, Sunday at 12:00 am and 1:00 am. **Consider this** - a group of 2, 3, or 4 can share an hour and take turns attending. Thank you! God bless!

DECEMBER HOSPITALITIY MINISTERS

4:30 pm	8:00 am	10:00 am
Andy Schwering	Mark Ricke	Art Koors
Matthew Gauck	Bob King	Charlie Herbert
Kevin Miller	Carl Buening	Steve Clevenger
Ted Schroeder	Roger Wenning	Tony McLaughlin
Tony Stacy	Dave Nobbe	Gary Ortman
Tim Stone	Dave Fuel	Dan Schroeder

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday/Sunday - December 15/16 4:30 pm *Carol Blasdel, *Al Blankman, Barbie Brown, Becky Brown, Heather Miller, Lisa Deck, Karen Dwiggins, Chris & Tricia Stephens, <u>Marge</u> Greiwe, Deb Greiwe

8:00 am *Rosemary Schroeder, *Diann Reisman, Steve Meyer, Kathy Nobbe, Mike & Diane Novak, Jennifer Nobbe, Carol Schwendenmann, Vince Schwering, Carole Ann Nobbe, Rachel Nobbe

10:00 am *Charlie & *Linda Greiwe, Marietta Hagerty, Carol Kramer, Paul Greiwe, Megan Gehrich, Tom Ricke, Logan Smith, Joanne Scudder, <u>Mike & Barb Lecher</u>

**designates washing vessels after Mass <u>underlined</u> ministers designates sign in coordinator and prepare bread and wine.

Prayer Basket– There are people waiting to pray for your intentions. Please place them in the small basket located by the Pieta statue in the back of the church.

BULLETIN DEADLINES

Dec 16 is due Dec 10, Noon

Dec 23 is due Dec 17, Noon

*Dec 30 is due Dec 19, Noon

*Jan 6 is due Dec 26, Noon

*Early Deadline for Publishing Company

Our Sunday Collections

11/11/18

<u>Description</u>	Amount
Weekend Contributions	\$24,899.50
Capital Improvement Fund	\$125.00
All Saints	\$25.00
Church Bus	\$5.00
Cemetery Care	\$390.00
Criterion	\$20.00
Energy Cost	\$45.00
Human Development	\$10.00
Mission Sunday	\$10.00
Music	\$40.00
Clarity	\$472.00
Outreach	\$15.00
Total Sunday Collections	\$26,056.50

Thank you for your generous contributions. This week our actual collections after adjusting for special collections were \$(12,219.67) compared to our budget of \$37,119.17.

"How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses to help?"

Stewardship - A Way of Life

"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value..." PHILIPPIANS 1:9-10

Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God and to those that are in need.

~The Stewardship Commission



2019 St. Joseph Missals available at the parish office for \$5.00.

The Decatur County Ecumenical Agape Center needs volunteers, especially men. Also needed are non-perishable food items (canned meats, vegetables, fruits). You may contact the center by phone: 812-222-4273; email: agapecenter1@hotmail.com, or stop by 1533 N Commerce West Drive, Suite 2, Greensburg
Hours: Mon 10 am-1 pm, Wed 3 pm—6pm, Thurs 10am-1 pm

Good Gestures and Preventative Practices at Mass

It's that time of year when we are more conscious of the spread of germs. You notice that the altar servers and I discontinue handholding during the Lord's Prayer, and offer a "peace sign" at the Sign of Peace. Please consider doing the same out there in the pews!

We pour less wine in preparation for Communion knowing that less people drink from the chalice in the winter as they may have colds.

While the seasonal allergies typical for Spring and Fall aren't prevalent now, some of us deal with breathing issues and even asthma-like symptoms induced by scents at Mass, like incense, and most especially the effects of perfume and cologne in high doses. Please consider the fact that those around us can be more sensitive to our aroma than we think.

Please, whether you are a Eucharistic Minister*, Lector, Cantor, Usher or fellow parishioner, consider the possibility that those you serve or those around you may be allergic to perfume or cologne and highly aromatic hand lotions.

Thank you very much,

Father John "Old Spice" Meyer

*Hand lotions as well as perfumes and colognes can easily be transferred to our communicants even after using hand sanitizer.



We would like to thank Porter-Oliger-Pearson Funeral Home and Doerflinger Insurance Agency for sponsoring our 2019 Calendars.

Pick up a calendar today in the Gathering Area.

Our Stewardship Committee would like to publish pictures from events at St. Mary's, such as Baptisms,



Weddings, First Eucharist, etc. in order to keep parishioners informed on especially new

parishioners and our family's faith journeys.

Any pictures you would like to share can be emailed to our parish office at:

parishoffice@stmarysgreensburg.com.

Pictures will be published approximately once a month as space allows.

The School Zone DECEMBER 9, 2018



Advent at St. Mary's School

The start of the Advent season marks a time of special focus on prayer and charity at St. Mary's School. We have several projects that will help our students keep the focus on the true meaning of this special time of year.

During the first week of Advent we collected canned fruits and vegetables for the St. Mary's Hot Meals program. We will be helping to stock the shelves for that important ministry.

The focus of the second week of Advent will be on collecting food for the local Cheer Fund. Each grade will be bringing in a certain food item from the list provided by the organization.

The third week of Advent focuses on making Christmas cards for the Sisters of St. Francis at Oldenburg. Each student in grades K-6 will carefully create a card to brighten someone's holiday.

Besides the charitable collections and card making, we are also once again having school-wide Advent Angels. Each student K-8 has drawn the name of someone in their Faith Family to pray for all through the Advent season. To keep track of the prayers, each student received a bookmark with a picture of a Christmas tree. Each time a prayer is said, the student will color another ornament on the tree. This tree bookmark will be given to the person that has been the focus of the prayers when we meet with our Faith Families after mass on Dec. 19. It is always excting to find out who has been keeping you in prayer during Advent. We look forward to another great season of waiting for Jesus!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 10 – 5/6 boys' Basketball home v. St. Michael 6:00

December 11 – 7/8 boys' Basketball home v. Connersville 5:30

December 13 – 7/8 boys' Basketball home v. Brookville 6:00

December 14-15 – 7th boys Basketball tourney @ St. Bartholomew TBA

Did you know ...?

Mark your calendars for the first performance of the St. Mary's Drama Club - Jingle Bell Jury. On Wednesday, December 19, the club will present the play to the student body at 1:30 pm. The young actors and actresses will repeat their performance later that afternoon, at 4:30 pm. There will be a small charge for the second performance to help offset production costs--\$1.00 for students, \$3.00 for adults, or \$10.00 per family. Come and enjoy this fun holiday show!

2019 E6 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE



2.23.20I9 8AM - 330PM

WITH SPECIAL GUEST:

THE CATHOLIC MAN SHOW

EAST CENTRAL H.S. PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

1 TROJAN PLACE, ST. LEON, IN 47012



MARK HART



TRENT HORN



JUSTIN FATICA

Finally, draw your strength from the Lord and from his mighty power Put on the Armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil, Ephesians 6:10-11

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www.e6catholicmensconference.com

Second Sunday of Advent Baruch 5:1-9~Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11~Luke 3:1-6

Advent Charity

Listed below are the individuals that are residing in our local nursing homes or the senior citizens home. During this Advent season, please remember them with prayer, cards, and visits. If by error we have missed or listed a name incorrectly, please call the parish office at 812-663-8427 ext 200 to give us the correct information. Thank you!

Aspen Place 2320 N Montgomery Rd

Betty Adamcyzk
Rita Burkert
Leo Haunert
Jeanie Hermesch
Wilbur Hoeing
Lorina Krieger
Charles Lecher
Luella Lecher
Ralph Leppert
Kenny Luken
Rita Navarra
Rosie Nieman
Monica Poole
Dorothy Redelman

Bob Schoettmer
Vince Springmeyer
Jeannr Steinhauer
Rose Stoner
Olive Thomas
Clara Marie Wagner
Bernie Wesseler
Patsy Wesseler
Lowell West
Eva Westhafer

Hickory Creek 1620 N Lincoln St

Henry Yager

Linda Allen Janet Conner Mary Roseberry Barbara Shaw Dale Veerkamp

Morning Breeze 950 Lakeview Dr

Bertha Dilkes
Joseph Ernstes
Margaret Forster
Leona Hellmich
Donald Hoffrogge
Teresa Horan
Elizabeth Klingman
Helen Kramer
Ruth Kunkel
Evelyn Metz
Ruth Moore
Alene Richey

Heritage House 410 W Park Rd

Betty Boing
Karl Walker
Bernie Keene
Paul Ricke
Judy Dulhanty
Georgann Flory
Lorraine Stebnicki

Crown Pointe 1034 E Crown Pointe

Martha Blankman
Russell Dwenger
Elaine Jacobs
Susie Moeller
Rita Navarra
Robert & Rita Rust
Helen Schwering
Sally Vanderbur
Arbor Grove

1021 E Central Ave

Wanda Barnes Rosemary Berkemeier Louis Blair Joe Duenne Paula Fleming Marie Gibson Robert Herbert Robert Lamppert Roxie Meyer Edwin Moore Barbara Sanchez Frances Strasburger Mary Sturgeon Douglas Vail Shirley Volz Cletus Wesseler



A reminder to the St. Lawrence Auxiliary members:



Our Christmas dinner and party will be
December 13th at 6:00 pm If you have any
questions, please call Dorothy Kramer
at 812-662-7163

BEST**Advent** EVER

'TIS (almost) THE SEASON

Join our parish for BEST ADVENT EVER, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most during the busy holiday season. Each day of Advent, you'll receive an email with . . .

- Short inspirational videos from Allen Hunt, Matthew Kelly, and the Dynamic Catholic team.
- Practical tips for your everyday life
- Real-life stories to encourage you in your faith journey



Dynamic Catholic

CYO VOLLEYBALL



Any girls in grades 7-12th interested in playing CYO volleyball, please call or text Carol Koester at 812-614-1746.

Leave your name and grade.

Games will be on Sundays in January and February.

Knights of Columbus, Greensburg

Monday Night Chicken 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Euchre every Thursday! Doors open at 6:00 pm and Games start at 7:00 pm. \$3.00 to play.

Friday Night—5:00—7:00 pm—Tenderloins, Fish, Burgers To all council members. Every fourth Tuesday before meeting starting at 6:15 pm we will be praying the Rosary before the meeting and meeting will start at 7:00 pm.

Aluminum Cans

We have been collecting aluminum cans for quite some time and continue to do so. Proceeds from the cans benefit our mission trips. Bagged cans can be dropped off at our storage building behind the school. Thanks for your continued support!

HELP WANTED

Sisters of St. Francis - Oldenburg, IN

Positions Available:

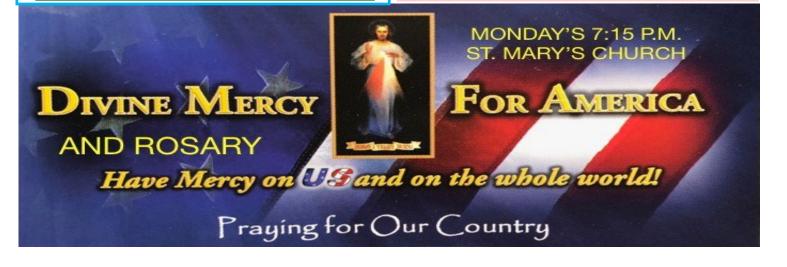
Full Time QMA or Medical Assistant

3-11 Shift; Health and PTO Benefits Every other Weekend

Call Diana at 812-933-6402 or Beth 812-933-6496

General Housekeeper

20 hours a week; 7:30 am to 12:30 pm For more details call S. Carolyn at 812-933-6465





Donate one hour of your time every week, every other week, or substitute as needed and help improve the lives of seniors near you!

Pick up meals at 10:30 AM
From DCMH

Interested?

Call: 812-663-6099

CASH RAFFLE Get your chances to win up to \$10,000!

The St. Mary's Alumni & Friends Association (SMAFA) is selling cash raffle tickets. We will be giving away \$10,000 in three hours on Friday, January 25, 2019 at the Annual Chili Supper and Family Fun Night. Drawings take place every 15 minutes. Need not be present to win, limited number of tickets available, can win multiple times. Winner must be at least 18 years old. All proceeds benefit St. Mary's School. License # 148670.

Tickets are \$20 each or 6 for \$100 and can be purchased from these SMAFA members:

Ben Schutte: 812-593-0733 LeeAnn Gauck: 812-614-4139

Brandey Kendall: 765-620-4946 Liza Williams: 812-593-0581

Deanna Swango: 812-593-1563 Mandy Richards: 812-614-0959

Eric Capper: 812-614-1687 Michelle Schutte-Cathey: 812-593-1625

Keith Stier: 812-614-2108 Nichole Kalinowski: 262-497-8757

Kimmie Gauck: 812-614-1223 Renee Meyer: 765-414-2429

It will be a great night of food, fun and prizes! Bring the family and join us for a free will offering chili supper, along with games, basket raffle and silent auction. Doors open at 5 pm.

St. Mary's Alumni & Friends Association Mission: To ensure the continuation of Catholic Education through spiritual and financial support of St. Mary's School.

Santa Breakfast



Knights of St. John South Wilder St Greensburg, IN



Sunday December 9th, 2018 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Biscuits and Gravy, Pancakes, Sausage, Fried Potatoes, Eggs, Pastries, Coffee, Juice and Milk

Carry-outs Available Free Will Offering Everyone is Welcome



Santa 9 - 11



Sat-12/15 9-11 am

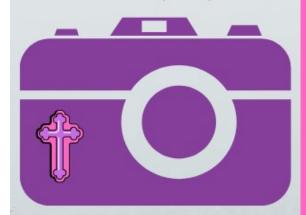
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Youth Ministry Snapshots!



COULD IT BE YOU???

Youth Ministry is looking for some new adult volunteers to add into the mix!
Contact Megan if you are interested in chatting about how YOU can help!





Senior Retreat Registration is now OPEN!

Senior Retreat is honestly the opportunity of a lifetime. Trust me. Take this break. Take this time out. I promise you, it will be worth it. It's a time to discover who you are, who God is, and how you can live your life to the fullest discovering your friendship with Him. It's an experience that you do not want to miss!

February 14-17, 2019 Cost: \$165 (Help available if needed!)

Registration is now open: www.archindyym.com/senior-retreat

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"PATIENCE PEOPLE—The King Shall Come"

Holy Waiting

This Advent let us try to wait each week "with patience and prayer" for the feast of the birth of the Child Jesus and ponder what "the second coming" of the Lord has to do for each of our lives. This "holy waiting" is an act of faith and a matter of what happens to each of us.

"PATIENCE PEOPLE" —— "TILL THE LORD IS COME"

2nd Week of Advent....Our reflection: Pay Attention when you spend time with others. Replace impatience with delight in the others, be it a child or an adult. Be as God waiting for you! Be PATIENT with those you love and those you encounter.

Family Prayer— Advent Booklets <u>Behold the Handmade of the Lord</u> will be available for each family for your Advent prayer and meditation.

Advent Evening Prayer – Evening Prayer will be celebrated every Sunday evening at 4:00 pm.

Prayers of the Assembly– Our special book of petitions will be displayed each weekend during Advent season. Please write your special intentions you wish us to pray for.



St. Mary's Adult & Youth Faith Formation

"Promoting Faith Formation in the Community"

<u>December 8 & 9, 2018</u>



TICKET SPECIAL DECEMBER 8 & 9!

BUY ONE TICKET AND GET ONE FREE!

Dr. Allen Hunt of Dynamic Catholic January 18, 6:30 p.m. St Mary Parish, Greensburg.

Our lives change when our habits change. Based on Matthew Kelly's book *The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic*, Find Your Greatness will introduce you to four simple ways to reach your full potential.

Tickets \$25—PLUS—
Includes Dynamic Catholic resources
valued over \$30!

Every person receives a free event bag with the following items:

- The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic * Book
 - Inspirational journal
 - Dynamic Catholic pen

<u>Purchase your ticket at the parish office or at</u> https://dynamiccatholic.com/find-yourgreatness-greensburg-in-jan-18-2019

Save the Date

March 23-24, 2019



Christ Have Mercy 3rd Annual Retreat

1 Chronicles 16:34

"Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his mercy endures forever."

Any questions? Please call the Parish Office-812-663-8427

In the sacrament of reconciliation we celebrate God's love with beautiful words and rituals. We are welcomed and greeted in the name of Jesus and God's family, the church. This greeting reminds us that God is always with us in all we do. As we make the Sign of the Cross, we remember God's love and we bless ourselves as people made in love.

As we listen to the word of God we hear about God's great love for us. We can recognize our sins and receive courage to change. As a sign of these rites hearts have placed on our parish patchwork quilt. Each heart has the family name of a child preparing for the sacrament of reconciliation at this time. We ask that these children & their families be kept in your prayers during their preparation time.

Faith Formation Calendar

December 10 - Retreat Mtg 6:30 pm

December 12- Religious Ed, 6:30 pm

TMIY, 6:30 pm

December 13 - RCIA, 6:30 pm



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"Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his mercy endures forever." 1 Chronicles 16:3

St. Mary's will host a 2 day retreat reflecting on Mercy. The retreat will focus on the Mercy of God through Christ on a personal level; the Mercy we each experience and share in our daily lives; and the Mercy we each share with those around us, in our community and to those we may not even know. *This is a great opportunity and compliment to the Lenten Season.*

Christ Have Mercy Retreat for women and men will be held over two days.

Saturday March 23, 11:30pm - 8:00pm Sunday March 24, 7:30am - 1:00pm.

The weekend will include Reconciliation, Mass, sessions with time for prayer and reflection and also dinner on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday. Registration is open now. The retreat is limited to the first 40 adults (over 21). **DEADLINE JANUARY 22**



Christ Have Mercy Retreat St. Mary's Parish, Greensburg, IN Saturday-Sunday, March 23-24, 2019 REGISTRATION FORM

Name(s)	
Address:	
Best telephone contact:	Email:
Parish if not St. Mary's:	
List any dietary restrictions of medical ne	eeds the retreat should be aware of:

There is no cost for this Retreat, FREE WILL donations will gladly be accepted.

Please complete the registration form and return to: St. Mary's Parish Office; 1331 E Hunter Robbins Way; Greensburg, IN 47240, call (812) 663-8427.

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