

**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**January 31, 2009**

**Parish Pastoral Council 2009-2012**

Mary Jo Bennett	Justin Jarvis
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Rich D'Amour	Pauline Kothe
Jeff Duncan	Fr. Stephen Lintzenich
Scott Evernham	Bill Muller
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Rachel Go	Otha Warren, III
Stephanie Groenert	Charleen Williamson
Cindy Howard	

**Mission Statement**

We, the people of St. Mary Church, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, *are inspired* to be a hospitable Catholic community in downtown Evansville, Indiana. *We are dedicated* to celebrating God's presence in our lives through sharing the Eucharist and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ. *We are committed*, as disciples of Jesus, to seek out and serve the needs of the hungry, the hurting, and the homeless. *We hold sacred* all family life through the nurturing of marriage, the engagement process, and the single life. *We are entrusted* to pass on our faith tradition through Catholic education, evangelization, and ongoing Christian formation. *We are challenged* to be stewards of God's abundance, stewards of prayer, of one another, and the Earth. *We are called* to be a people of justice.

**Stewardship of Membership**

An active member of St. Mary Parish is registered and participates on a regular basis in the spiritual and liturgical life of the parish. All parishioners are expected to share their time and talents by becoming involved in at least one area of ministry. St. Mary Parish believes in Total Stewardship of Life. We actively teach tithing and ask that all members of the parish return 10% of their annual income to God: 6% through St. Mary Parish and 4% to other charities of your choice.

**Stewardship of Gospel  
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Isaiah 6 :1 -2 a, 3 -8  
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15 :1 -11  
Gospel: Luke 5 :1 -11

**Stewardship of Relationships**

Eucharist			Birthdays		
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Saum and Pape Families	Sat.	1/30	HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Elmer Baumgart	Sun.	1/31	Carolyn Miller
	4:00 p.m.	St. Mary parishioners living and deceased	Mon.	2/1	David Unger
Mon.	5:05 p.m.	Communion Services	Tues.	2/2	Joseph Bernardin
Tues.	5:05 p.m.	Communion Services	Wed.	2/3	Jane Allen, Linda Pruitt, Shawna Rodenberg, Wendy Thomas
Wed.	5:05 p.m.	Communion Services	Thur.	2/4	Erin Barber, Sean Behnke, Jolie DeVries, Nancy Holderread
Thurs.	5:05 p.m.	Communion Services	Fri.	2/5	Mary Birkhead, Rita Wannemuehler
Fri.	12:00 p.m.	Mass at Holy Trinity	Sat.	2/6	JP Bryan, Kathy Halbig, David Koehler, Randy Lattner, Benjamin Sloan
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Denise Hannon (L)			
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Millie Melchior			
	4:00 p.m.	St. Mary parishioners living and deceased			

**We Welcome New Parishioners**

Lynn McDaniel  
Shannon Woolsey; son Cody  
Ruth Saalweachter

If you would like to join our parish family, please contact Lee Griggs at 425-1577 or [lgriggs@stmaryevansville.org](mailto:lgriggs@stmaryevansville.org) or you can inquire online on our website: [www.stmaryevansville.org](http://www.stmaryevansville.org).

**RCIA...** If you are interested in becoming Catholic or finding out more about Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, please contact

**Ministry Highlight**

**Articles for the Newsletter...**

If you would like to submit an article, or pictures for the Newsletter, please contact Lee Griggs.

**Get Connected...**

**Not involved in a ministry? Feel called to get connected? Want to find out how you can use your gifts and talents here at St. Mary?... please call Lee today.**

**Call Lee Griggs if you are interested, 425-1577, ext. 207**

**Upcoming Events**

Sunday 1/31	Monday 2/1	Tuesday 2/2	Wednesday 2/3	Thursday 2/4	Friday 2/5	Saturday 2/6
Mass 9:30 am Coffee and donuts Mass 4:00 pm	Communion Service 5:05 pm Building and Grounds 5:30 pm	Youth Choir 3:30 pm Communion Service 5:05 pm St. Vincent de Paul 6 pm Choir 7 pm	Wisdom Group meets 9:30 am Communion Service 5:05 pm LIFE potluck meal 5 pm sessions 6 -8 pm	Communion Service 5:05 pm Centering Prayer 7 pm Our Lady's Chapel Liturgy 7 pm		Mass 4:00 pm Alms Collection Return Palms Rice bowl hand out
Sunday 2/7	Monday 2/8	Tuesday 2/9	Wednesday 2/10	Thursday 2/11	Friday 2/12	Saturday 2/13
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**Alms collection...**

Alms will be taken up at all Masses, **Saturday and Sunday, February 6 and 7.**



Thank you for your support of our outreach ministries to the poor; Our Food Pantry, Soup Kitchen and our St. Vincent de Paul chapter.

**Thank you** for your generous giving to help those who are in great need. God bless you.

**Food Pantry Needs...**

Our Food Pantry needs **plastic bags**. They can be brought to church on the weekends or dropped by the Ministry Center during the week.

Please call Pat Fitzsimmons to volunteer or to get more information at **425-1577 or 477-8006**

**Attention All Soup Kitchen Volunteers...**

**There will be a meeting on the consolidation of our Soup Kitchens.**

**We are asking all workers to attend either Saturday, February 20 after 4 pm Mass or Sunday, February 21 after the 9:30 Mass. We will meet in church.**

**Please come to be informed, to ask questions and to support this ministry.**

**Call Pat Fitzsimmons or Deacon Joe with any questions...425-1577.**

**Thank you for all you do for those in need**

**Iraqi Student Project Dinner & Auction**

**Saturday, January 30th,**

**St. Anthony Catholic Church**

**Silent Auction from 5:00-6:30 PM**

**Dinner served from 5:30-7:00 PM**

**Live Auction begins at 6:30 PM**

**Donated auction items are needed!**

For two years, people from across the diocese have led the Evansville Support Group for Zaid Majeed, a UE student in the Iraqi Student Project, an international organization that provides Iraqi refugee-students with undergraduate degrees from universities across the U.S.

Join us for a great night of food and fun! Support a great cause! Adults \$7.50; Children 2-12 \$4.00; <2 Free

Contact Maureen O'Connor at 455-7390 for more info, to donate an auction item or to volunteer for the dinner!

**First Communion Classes** will begin Sunday, Feb. 21, 10:45 pm in the Ministry Center.

**A short meeting with Fr. Steve for parents and their child will be held after 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, February 7 in church.**

Please call Lee Griggs if you have a child in 2nd grade that needs to make their First Communion. **A letter will be mailed with more information.**

**Need Help with High School Catholic Education?**

The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) is announcing that applications for tuition assistance for the 2010-2011 school year are available at the offices of Reitz Memorial High School and Mater Dei High School, at Catholic grade school offices (where 8th graders are enrolled) at parish offices or on the high school websites. **Deadline for applying is March 12, 2010.**

**Catholics Returning Home will meet Wednesday, February 10, in the Ministry Center, 7 pm.**

If you have been away from the church, feel disconnected or just have questions please feel free to come to this meeting. For more information please contact Deacon Joe at 425-1577 ext. 209 or email; [jstofleth@evdio.org](mailto:jstofleth@evdio.org)

**RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.**

Will meet next on Monday, February 8, for a dinner in Rager Hall at 6:00 pm. The session will start at 7 pm.

Please keep the candidates, catechumens, sponsors and the RCIA ministry team in your prayers on their journey.

**Catechumens**

Jeff Alvey  
Nathan Fleener  
Mary Messer

**Godparent**

Liz Saum  
Bill Muller  
Joe Stofleth

**Candidates**

Jane Allen  
Morgan Anderson  
Rick Barter  
Hallie Carpenter  
John Matzen  
Devra Ritz  
Ardith Schiele  
Lauren Singleton

**Sponsor**

Cathy Mitchell  
Wendy Lemons  
John Raibley  
Steve Carpenter  
Greg Wezet  
Delores Dahm  
Lisa Muller  
Pat Singleton

**Trekkers invite you to...**

**Church Basement Ladies.** The time for making your reservation to see this hilarious musical comedy on **Saturday, February 13** is NOW. Invite your family and friends to join us as we travel to Madisonville for an evening of outstanding entertainment. The cost? Only \$39.00 for transportation, orchestra seating, and all tips and taxes. Call the parish office, 425-1577, today.

**News Flash...Mark your calendars**

St. Mary will be putting out a **new directory** later this year. It has been three years since our last directory and our parish and it's families have grown.

The dates for taking pictures are on the parish calendar and are as follows: September 14 -18 and September 21-25, October 12 -16. More information will be announced as the time approaches.

You will be able to schedule times for your portraits online and before and after Masses. So convenient! Please mark your calendars. Our goal is **100% parish participation**. Portraits will be back for Christmas. **Need volunteers... please contact Lee Griggs 425-**