

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 1, 2010

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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 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9
2nd Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19
Luke 12:32-48 Gospel:

Stewardship of Relationships

Eucharist		Birthdays	
Sat. 4:00 p.m.	Virginia Riordan	Sun. 8/1	Karen McBride, Richard Seib
Sun. 9:30 a.m.	Dot Hirsch	Mon. 8/2	Marybeth Hooker, Madeline Rodenberg
4:00p.m.	St. Mary parishioners living and deceased	Tues. 8/3	Dorothy Doersam
Mon. 5:05 p.m.	Communion Service	Wed. 8/4	Anna Go, Gabriella Go, Rebekah Go
Tues. 5:05 p.m.	Communion Service	Thur. 8/5	Ann Cooper, Diane Floyd, Kenneth Render, Mary Ann Russell
Wed. 5:05 p.m.	Communion Service	Fri. 8/6	Carolyn Ficker, Mary Anne Fox, Samuel Koehler, Br. Philip Ripley, Joseph Robinson, Addison Yancey
Thurs. 5:05 p.m.	Communion Service	Sat. 8/7	Barry Dickman, Rudy Montejano, Elizabeth Saum
Fri. 12:05 p.m.	Communion Service	Sun. 8/8	Bailey Collins, Linda Doerflein, Jan Howell, Glenda Jaccard
Sat. 4:00 p.m.	Denise Hannon (L)		
Sun. 9:30 a.m.	Agnes Beckerle		
4:00 p.m.	St. Mary parishioners living and deceased		

We Welcome New Parishioners

Andrew and Katie Reith; daughter Isabella

If you would like to join our parish family, please contact Lee Griggs at 425-1577 or lgriggs@stmaryevansville.org or you can inquire online on our website: www.stmaryevansville.org.
RCIA... *If you are interested in becoming Catholic or finding out more about Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, please contact Rob Henson at 425-1577 or rhenson@stmaryevansville.org*

Ministry Highlight

Meal Brigade

This is a wonderful ministry of reaching out and connecting. As a Meal Brigade minister you will be called upon to prepare and bring a much-appreciated hot meal and a smile to the door of a family after the birth of a new baby. Meal Brigade ministers will have the opportunity to carry the message of caring and support to those it serves. Please contact Lee Griggs
425-1577 ext. 207 or lgriggs@stmaryevansville.org
If you are currently a meal brigade member or would like to be please email Lee. We are updating our list.

Upcoming Events

Sunday 8/1	Monday 8/2	Tuesday 8/3	Wednesday 8/4	Thursday 8/5	Friday 8/6	Saturday 8/7
Mass 9:30 am Coffee and Donuts	Communion Service 5:05 pm	Communion Service 5:05 pm	Wisdom 9:30 am	Communion Service 5:05 pm	Farmer's Market Downtown	Mass 4:00 pm Alms Collection
Mass 4:00 pm	Building & Grounds 5:30 pm	St. Vincent de Paul 6 pm	Communion Service 5:05 pm	Centering Prayer in Our Lady's Chapel 7:00 pm		
Sunday 8/8	Monday 8/9	Tuesday 8/10	Wednesday 8/11	Thursday 8/12	Friday 8/13	Saturday 8/14
Mass 9:30 am Coffee and Donuts Mass 4:00 pm Alms Collection at all Masses	Communion Service 5:05 pm RCIA Dinner in Rager Hall 6:00 pm	Mass 5:05 pm St. Vincent de Paul 6 pm	Mass 5:05 pm	Mass 5:05 pm Centering Prayer in Our Lady's Chapel 7:00 pm	Farmer's Market Downtown	Mass 4:00 pm Children's Outing 4:30-6:30

Celebration Brunch

There will be a brunch on **Sunday, August 15 after 9:30 am** Mass to celebrate and thank Paul Schutz, Director of Worship, for his four years of ministry to St. Mary. Paul has loved the hospitality of St. Mary so let's send him off with all of our favorite dishes he has enjoyed in his time with us.

You are invited to bring a favorite dish to share at our potluck brunch.

You may contact Lee Griggs with any questions 425-1577 / lgriggs@stmaryevansville.org

Paul will be presented a gift from all of the parish. You are also welcome to bring cards or gifts to the brunch.

We are making a picture album for Paul. If you have photos we can include please contact Lee Griggs or email them to lgriggs@stmaryevansville.org.

RCC Rainbow Catholics in Christ will be resuming their meetings on the third Thursday of the month in August after a summer break. All are welcome.

Where: 3rd floor of the Ministry Center

When: Thursday, August 19

Time: 6:30 pm

Alms Collection

There will be an Alms collection at all Masses the weekend of August 7 and 8. All alms collected help our Soup Kitchen, Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul to minister to those in need of basic needs like food, clothing and shelter. Your generosity is appreciated.

Pastoral visits during illness- If you or a loved one are hospitalized, in a nursing home, or homebound, please notify the parish office so that a Circle of Care minister or a member of the pastoral staff can schedule a visit. While the office may hear of these events through word of mouth, contact from the ill parishioner or the parishioners family will speed up the process of making sure a pastoral visit takes place. Hospitals and care facilities do not routinely notify churches when someone is admitted due to privacy concerns.

National Night Out

In it's 28th year National Night Out is held the first Tuesday in August. At this event the police and the community come together for a night of fun and activities.

Where: Akin, Garvin and Lorraine Parks

When: Tuesday, August 3, 2010

Time: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

A neighborhood-community-police partnership. Invite your family, friends and neighbors to attend.

Thinking About Becoming Catholic?

Our parish offers RCIA Inquiry Sessions for individuals interested in joining the Catholic Church. Any adult who is not a Catholic (baptized or unbaptized), or perhaps was baptized as a Catholic, but not raised in the faith, is most welcome to attend. These initial sessions require no commitment - just sincerity and a mind and heart open to the Holy Spirit. Please contact Rob Henson at 425-1577 to schedule a session.

Tell Us Your Story!

*I came to St. Mary because...
My grandparents were married here in 1894...
My most memorable moment at St. Mary was...*

The St. Mary Marketing Committee is launching a "Tell Us Your Story" Campaign, a drive to collect and share the stories of St. Mary parishioners past and present.

If you have a family with a long history at St. Mary, a story of what drew you here, an encounter with the Holy Spirit, or anything else you'd like to share, we want your story!

Submit your story in writing to 613 Cherry St., 47713, via email to pschutz@stmaryevansville.org, or via the website!

If you have **pictures, video, or audio** to share, please contact Paul. We are planning a **Tell Us Your Story exhibition** and would love all media we can find!

We are grateful...

Several families have named St. Mary for memorial gifts in memory of a loved one. This is a great way to remember the life of a family member and to help the parish further its ministry at the same time. We thank you for your stewardship and generosity.

Prayer is a powerful expression of love...

Do you know someone who is in need of prayers? Let us support one another through the power of prayer! Call or send your prayer request into the St. Mary prayer chain, 425-1577 ask for Sally or info@stmaryevansville.org

Join Us For Wisdom...

Our speaker for the August 4 meeting will be Patti Happel Grannan who will share stories regarding her growing up, having been born during the Evansville flood. She has written her bittersweet memoirs in a book, My Mother Marie, covering much of the history of Evansville and the era 1937 to 1987. Central Library has placed a copy of her book in their Indiana Room. Join us at 9:30 am for conversation, speaker and a potluck lunch. Bring your favorite dish to share.

Report on General Operations & Restoration Debt

In the Gospel of Luke for this Sunday, Jesus offers a tough teaching on possessions. Wealth is not a bad thing. The issue is how the rich man uses his wealth. He seems to be keeping it to himself for some future day. However, there are those in need today! We are called to share all the gifts that we manage because they are not ours; they belong to God. Your stewardship of our parish is the blessing that allows us to fulfill our call in the areas of faith formation, worship, and outreach. Perhaps you are managing some gifts for a future time like the man in the parable. Did you know that St. Mary offers some planned giving programs to help you steward those gifts? Call Fr. Steve or Rob Henson for more information and thank you for your generosity!

Fr. Steve