

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 29, 2010

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.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18b
2nd Reading: Philemon 9-10,12-17
Gospel: Luke 14:25-44

Stewardship of Relationships

Eucharist		Birthdays	
Sat. 4:00 p.m.	Genevieve Aymond	Sat. 8/29	Lisa Eberhard Judy Mattingly, John Rogan Sr. Darlene Boyd, Alice Serr
Sun. 9:30 a.m.	Virginia Riordan	Sun. 8/30	Rick Groenert, Andy Howard, Jill Ohlson, Jill Porter, Ruth Rager, Abigail Woebkenberg
4:00p.m.	Rebecca Turpen	Mon. 8/31	Mary Jo Bennett, Brandy Payne, John Toelle
Mon. 5:05 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish	Tues. 9/1	Jeff Alvey, Lynn McDaniel, Mike Mitchell
Tues. 5:05 p.m.	Agnes Beckerle	Wed. 9/2	Claire Bernadac, Scott Evernham, Paul Stanley
Wed. 5:05 p.m.	Art & Vera Beckerle	Thur. 9/3	Jeanett Knapp
Thurs. 5:05 p.m.	Elmer Baumgart	Fri. 9/4	Gail Dunn, Susan Petitjean, Cain Wilson
Fri. 12:05 p.m.	Mass at Holy Trinity	Sat. 9/5	Dan Doerflein
Sat. 4:00 p.m.	Bonnie Stephens		
Sun. 9:30 a.m.	Michael Frey		
4:00 p.m.	Denise Hannon (L)		

We Welcome New Parishioners

Lindsay Gerling
Crystal Thweat

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

Longtime parishioner Jeanette Knapp will be 90 years of age on September 3. Not only is Jeanette one of the oldest members of the parish she is also one of the most active. For 15 years now Jeanette has prayerfully and lovingly prepared the General Intercessions for Sunday Eucharist week after week. That's 780 Prayers of the Faithful and faith-full she is! If you would like to send her best wishes her address at the Little Sisters is: 1236 Lincoln Avenue # 2004 Evansville, IN 47714. Thank you, Jeanette.

Have you registered for L.I.F.E.? Don't put it off register today.

What: Living in Faith Everyday is a parish-wide Faith Formation and Religious Education Program.
Who: Adults, High School, Grades k-6, Childcare is available for pre-k children.

If you are in Confirmation, RCIA or planning to make your First Communion in the spring, LIFE is part of the formation needed.

It starts in September and ends in May. It is the first Wednesday of each month from 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm.

Register online: www.stmaryevansville.org by Email: rhenson@stmaryevansville.org or call the parish office today.

All LIFE dinners will be potlucks with main entree provided. *September will be pulled barbecue chicken.

***October will be beef stew. *November will be Turkey, dressing and gravy. Please bring a covered dish to share!**

Upcoming Events

Sunday 8/29	Monday 8/30	Tuesday 8/31	Wednesday 9/1	Thursday 9/2	Friday 9/3	Saturday 9/4
Mass 9:30 am Coffee and Donuts	Mass 5:05 pm	Mass 5:05 pm	Wisdom 9:30 am	Mass 5:05 pm Centering Prayer in Our Lady's Chapel 7:00 pm	Farmer's Market Downtown	Mass 4:00 pm
Mass 4:00 pm		St. Vincent de Paul 6 pm	Mass 5:05 pm LIFE dinner 5:00 pm LIFE Session 6:00 pm	Liturgy 7:00 pm Marriage Prep 7:00 pm		
Confirmation meeting 10:30 am in Church		Choir 7:00 pm				
Sunday 9/5	Monday 9/6	Tuesday 9/7	Wednesday 9/8	Thursday 9/9	Friday 9/10	Saturday 9/11
Mass 9:30 am Coffee and Donuts	Labor Day	Mass 5:05 pm	Mass 5:05 pm	Mass 5:05 pm Baptismal prep #1 6:30 pm		Habitat Lunch at site in Glenwood 12:00 noon
Mass 4:00 pm	Offices Closed	St. Vincent de Paul 6 pm	Bible Study 6:30 pm	Marriage Prep 7:00 pm Symphonia 7:00 pm		Mass 4:00 pm
		Choir 7:00 pm				

Stewardship Corner- St. Luke continues his consideration of the theme of "gathering" in this Sunday's gospel. Last Sunday the issue at hand was who was included in the banquet. This Sunday Luke challenges us to reflect on our place at the table. Gathering is about celebrating community. In gathering we proclaim that Christ is among us and the Kingdom is being realized! Stewardship is our response of self to that blessing. We acknowledge all that we have and offer it to the Host of the banquet out of the joy for the invitation!

Marriage preparation- We have a four week marriage preparation course which begins on Thursday, September 2. If you plan to be married at St. Mary you need to attend this program. Please call the parish office for more information.

Our song books and the "At Home with the Word" guide are important resources to aid us in worship. You will find these books in our pews. These tools need to last us several more years so your good stewardship of them is appreciated. Please be especially careful with the song books as their spines are prone to damage if they are compressed by shoving another book behind them in the rack. Thank you very much!

The Wisdom Group will meet Wed. Sept. 1 in the Ministry Center. The group decided to view a DVD, The Power of Good, that Lisa Muller recommended. The documentary is about a 28 year old man who, while on a ski trip to Prague in 1938, took extraordinary action to devise a rescue operation and saved 669 children who would have been doomed by Hitler. It is a story of courage and determination. We socialize at 9:30 and the DVD will begin at 10:00 followed by a pitch in lunch. We hope to see some new and old friends there.

SAVE THE DATE for the **Annual Wisdom Days** featuring speakers Mary Jo Huff and Garrett Mathews. This Celebration of Catholic Senior Citizens will take place on Monday, October 4, 2010 at the Catholic Center. The day will include speakers, activities and lunch. For more information and reservations contact the parish office.

Upcoming Events...Mark your calendar

October 23, Saturday, Harvest Time Ministry Celebration Dinner in Rager Hall. Reservations needed
October 30, Saturday, Garden and Grounds Clean up Day (also an opportunity for service hours for the youth.)
November 21, Sunday 3rd Annual Advent Celebration after 9:30 am Mass in Rager Hall. Activity and pancakes.
December 1, Wednesday, Lessons and Carols, 7 pm. Reception following in Rager Hall.
December 12, Sunday, 8 am - noon, 2nd Annual St. Mary Red Cross Blood Drive in Rager Hall (to donate on this date do not donate blood after October 17, 2010.

We Remember...

Parishioner, Bonnie Stephens, 82, who died Friday, August 13, 2010. Please keep in your prayers husband William Stephens, daughter, Missy (Jeff) Bohling, granddaughter, Betsy (Nathan and J.T.) Fleenor and their families.

Please keep in your prayers, parishioner, Jeff Alvey and his family, in the loss of his uncle.

HABITAT Catholic Build... will begin Tuesday, September 7 through Saturday, September 25, at Shadewood Place, a new development at the corner of Shadewood and Sweetser Avenues across from Culver School. You can see the build schedule at www.evansvillehabitat.org. Volunteers can register at www.evansvillehabitat.org or can contact parishioner, Rock Reed at 746-9830 or izmblessed@yahoo.com

Habitat lunch for workers. Volunteers needed. St. Mary will be providing a lunch for 25-30 workers on the Habitat site on Saturday, September 11. Help needed: Saturday morning we will meet in Rager Hall at 8 am to prep food and then transport to the worksite and serve. Items needed: fresh fruit, fresh vegetables to tray, salads and deserts. To volunteer or for more information contact Lee Griggs at 425-1577 ext. 207 or lgriggs@stmaryevansville.org

BIBLE STUDY... Our fall scripture study is entitled, "The Ministry of Women in the Gospel of Luke". Rob Henson, our new pastoral associate, will be the facilitator. The first session is Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30pm in the Ministry Center.

RCIA began last week with four people on the journey to Easter. If you or someone you know would like more information about becoming Catholic, please call Rob Henson at 425-1577

****Go to www.stmaryevansville.org and click on the link to schedule your parish directory picture session. Schedule today!!! SMILE!!**

THANK YOU

Every Tuesday evening St. Vincent de Paul ministers receive heartfelt thanks from those requesting assistance. This help is available because of the stewardship and alms that St. Mary parishioners and visitors provide.

Usually the thank-yous are vocal but this past week we received a card. It said...
"Thank you for the money that you paid to complete our payment with Vectren. Your generosity during our time of need is greatly appreciated. May the good Lord bless you all with good health and happiness. Love & Peace & Warm Regards"

Our St. Vincent de Paul ministers also thank you for your prayers and contributions which make it possible to have an active charitable outreach into our surrounding community.

If you are interested in making even one visit with us to see for yourself what goes on at a St. Vincent meeting, please come. We meet each Tuesday evening at 6 pm in the ministry center. You are always welcome.

Contact Mary Jo Bennett 473-2722/mjobennett@yahoo.com or Lee Griggs, Director of Parish Life, 425-1577 ext. 207 lgriggs@stmaryevansville.org or Pat Fitzsimmons, Volunteer Outreach Director, at 425-1577 ext. 225 pfitzsimmons@stmaryevansville.org.