

# Christ's Light Illuminates Our Hearts!

Have you ever wondered what the first Christmas looked like...through the eyes of St. Joseph?

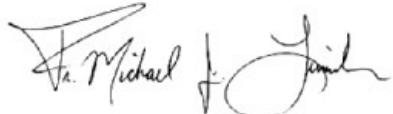
Just months earlier, the angel of the Lord had spoken to him in a dream: "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins" (Mt 1:20-21). At that, Joseph obediently brought his wife into his home, and began to prepare for the birth of the Savior.

We do not have a single recorded word of St. Joseph in Scripture, but his actions speak louder than words. From that day forward, he dedicated his life to caring for and loving his family (the Blessed Virgin Mary and Jesus), even though he often did not have all the answers.

But his heart was always humble and open to the will of God, and because of this, God could accomplish great things through the hands and life of this simple carpenter from Nazareth.

And so this Christmas, may we imitate the heart of St. Joseph. May we truly welcome Jesus into our hearts, and know of the great love that He has for each of us! And like St. Joseph, may our hearts be humble and open to God's will, so that through us, others may encounter the love of Jesus Christ our Savior.

*May God bless you and your family this Christmas!*



Fr. Michael Linnebur



Kolette Trujillo and Daniel Mundy portrayed Mary and Joseph in Mrs. Dinicola's 1st grade Christmas play



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A warm welcome to our parish family. We want to meet you. Please call the Parish Office to schedule registration, or for more information, 316-788-5525.

# Meet Our Newest Parish Families!



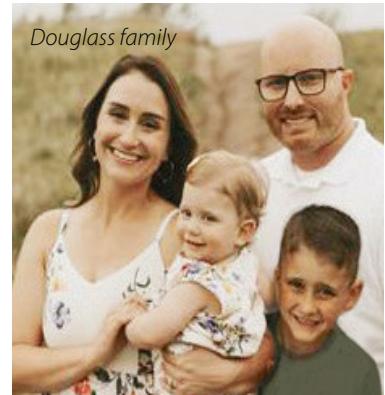
Brown family



Cabrera & Agner family



Douglass family



Cooksey family



Ediger family



Hobbs family



Sarah Hughes



Jenkins family



Brenda Jensen

## New Parishioners since Easter

Adam & Julia Brown family\*

Eric Cabrera & Nathalie Agner family\*

Richard Cenedella

Richard & Stephanie Cooksey\*

Julia Corrieri & Logan Howe family

Jordan & Aimee Ediger family\*

Chris & Kelcii Fisher family

Matt & Amanda Douglass family\*

Taylor & Scott Henry family

Jordan & Tyler Hobbs family\*

Sarah Hughes\*

Vera Hunt

Drew & Valerie Jenkins family\*

Brenda Jensen\*

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## Welcome!

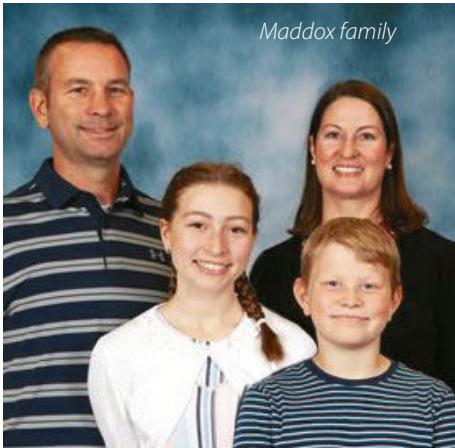
Are you a newcomer? We would love to get to know you and wish you a warm St. Mary welcome! Join us for Coffee and Donuts every Sunday following the 9 am Mass, or partake in our monthly Welcome Breakfast held on the second Sunday of each month following the 9 am Mass. We look forward to meeting you!

# Meet Our Newest Parish Families!

## New Parishioners since Easter (cont. from pg 2)

Peter Kain  
 Michael & Lori Maddox family\*  
 Nicola & Yezi Marrone family\*  
 Greg & Brianna Monty family  
 Matthew & Kelly Morrish family\*  
 Theresa Moss family  
 Monte & Elsa Patterson family  
 Heidi Reichenberger  
 Kathryn Reichenberger  
 Ruby & Phillip Robbins family\*  
 Don Roberson\*  
 Kala & Max Rose family  
 Kelly & Michelle Ross\*  
 Vanessa (Buehne) & Damon Rugg\*  
 Andre & Laken Schmalz family\*  
 Karen Therrien  
 John & Elise Thesing family\*  
 Maria & Sarahy Uribe  
 Joe & Megan Vander Zanden family\*  
 Tyler & Jordan Wharry family\*  
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\* = family is pictured



Maddox family



Marrone family



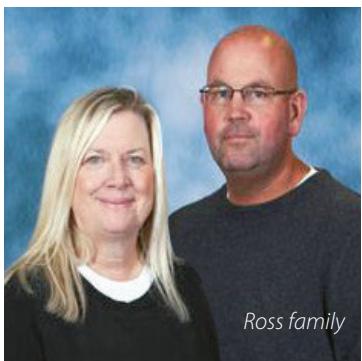
Morrish family



Robbins family



Don Roberson



Ross family



Rugg family



Schmalz family



Thesing family

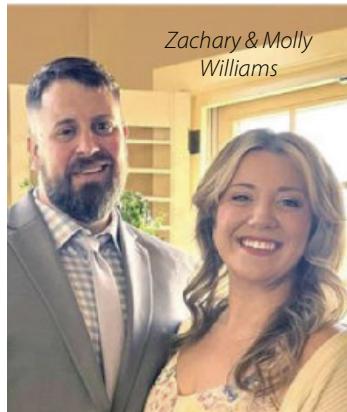


Vander Zanden family



Wharry family

# My Faith Response!



## New Parishioners since Easter (cont. from pg 3)

Brandon & Melissa Williams family\*  
Zachary & Molly Williams\*  
Robin Wise  
Nicholas & Sharon Zogelman

\* = *family is pictured*



Father Michael makes the sign of the cross on Elizabeth Shavlik's forehead during the RCIA Rite of Acceptance

## RCIA CANDIDATES & CATECHUMENS

Amanda Bishop  
Zachary Brownlee  
Allie Brumbaugh  
Amanda Douglass  
Brian Hays  
Elizabeth Howard  
Gerald McCoy  
Tracie McIntire  
Kelly Morrish  
Logan Ogilvie  
Elizabeth Shavlik  
Ashlyn Stevenson  
Nate Struble  
Brian Wagoner

## Embracing Faith: The RCIA Journey to Easter 2024

As we approach Easter 2024, a group of individuals is navigating the transformative path of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), eagerly preparing to embrace the Catholic faith. Every Thursday at 7 pm in Room 112, these candidates and catechumens engage in discussions, prayers, and insightful videos from the Symbolon series on formed.org, shaping their spiritual journey.

This committed community isn't just accumulating knowledge; they're actively learning to turn more readily to God in prayer, cultivating a deep connection with the divine. The RCIA process goes beyond the classroom, prompting a profound spiritual shift in the participants.

Central to their formation is the

development of a strong Christian witness. These seekers aren't just learning about their faith; they're embodying it in their everyday lives. The lessons extend into homes, workplaces, and communities, inspiring them to bear witness to the love and mercy of Christ.

Setting their hopes on Christ, these candidates and catechumens approach Easter with a profound sense of purpose and faith. The celebration symbolizes not only the culmination of their journey but also a rebirth—a spiritual renewal that aligns with the resurrection of Jesus.

A cornerstone of their formation is a deepening sense of love for their neighbors. The RCIA process instills in them a genuine desire to serve and love those around them,

in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic faith. As they grow in understanding, these future members of the Church are poised to make a positive impact on the world.

For those intrigued by the RCIA process or the Catholic faith, the journey doesn't end at Easter.

The next RCIA session is set to commence in the fall of 2024, inviting new seekers to embark on a transformative pilgrimage of faith.

As we anticipate the joyous celebration of Easter, let's keep these RCIA candidates and catechumens in our prayers.

# SAINT MARY PARISH

## Memorials and Honorariums as of Nov 15, 2023

*Thank you* for your gifts! Memorials (in tribute of someone who has died, marked with a ♣) and honorariums (made to honor someone living) are beautiful and enduring gestures of love and faith that recognize a special person and also provide for the Church's future. Gifts made since January 1, 2023 are in bold blue font.

Dee Acosta  
 Michael Adams ♣  
 John Allen ♣  
 Altar Society  
 Rachel Arehart ♣  
 Jerry Armstrong  
 Phil Armstrong ♣  
 Michael Anderson ♣  
 George Arnold ♣  
 Marion Arnold ♣  
 Mary Arnold ♣  
 Linda Ashburn ♣  
 Arturo P. Atencio ♣  
 Marie Avello ♣  
 Laurence Bachman ♣  
 Richard Bade ♣  
**Roseann Bade** ♣  
 Baker ♣  
 Sharon Baker ♣  
 Everett Balster ♣  
 Genevieve Bankston ♣  
 Kevin & Kathy Barker  
 Paul Barker ♣  
 Preston Barr's birthday  
 Mike Bartlett  
 Mike Bartlett ♣  
 Jocelyn Bastarache's birthday  
 Donald Baucher ♣  
 Catherine Baxter ♣  
 Dee Baxter ♣  
 Marion Beaver ♣  
 Harold and Cathy Beedles  
 Harold & Cathy Beedles -  
     50th anniversary  
 Rosie Benner ♣  
 Mary P. Bernard ♣  
 Aloys & Mary Ann Betzen ♣  
 Brenda Betzen ♣  
 Fr J.D. Betzen  
 John & Barbara Betzen  
 John Betzen  
 Mary Biggs ♣  
 Nick Billaci ♣  
 Julie Bishop ♣  
 Normand A. Bissonnette ♣  
 Vincent & Amelia Bitel ♣  
 Arden "Bill" Bloedel ♣  
 Sue Bloedel ♣  
 Betty & Jake Boardman Family  
 Elizabeth J. Boardman ♣  
 Dick and Nancy Bockelman  
 Richard Bockelman

**John Bohrer** ♣  
 Steve Bond ♣  
 Mary Boor ♣  
 Shalini John Bosco -  
     20th birthday  
 Tony Bott ♣  
 Eddie and Verna Bouchey ♣  
 Tom Bowen ♣  
 Wanda Braciszewski ♣  
 Fred Breece ♣  
 Cari Brennan ♣  
**Ed Brennan** ♣  
 Kathy Brennan  
 Don Brown ♣  
 Irma Jean Brown ♣  
 Kylie Brown ♣  
 Sally Brown ♣  
 Donald J. Bruggeman ♣  
 Ken & Rose Bruggeman  
 Rose Bruggeman ♣  
 Fr Michael Brungardt  
 Carlos Buell ♣  
 Robert Busch  
 Paul Burnett ♣  
 Father Arthur Busch ♣  
  
 Tejae Carlson ♣  
 Zita M. Carlson ♣  
 Carolyn Sue Carpenter  
 Paul Carrick ♣  
 Marion & Grace Carroll ♣  
 Ronnie & Mary Carver  
 The Debbie Chapman Family  
 Jerry Cochran ♣  
 Chvilicek family  
 Chvilicek family - Christmas  
 Taylee Chvilicek's birthday  
 Maggie Clark ♣  
 Darlene J Clawson ♣  
 Albert A. Coccetella ♣  
 Mary Coccetella ♣  
 Gerald & Ellen Cochran  
 James& Sara Gonzalez Coffey  
 Sara Coffey ♣  
 Jim Coffey ♣  
 Margaret Cole ♣  
 Carl & Suzie Compton  
 Christian Compton  
 Mike Condon  
 Joe Condic ♣  
 Tom Cook  
 Richard & Karol Cornejo family

Twila Cosentino  
 Charles Coykendall ♣  
 Benita Cox  
 Christine Diann Crandon ♣  
 Susan Crandon ♣  
 Anna Craig  
 Kevin Dana ♣  
 Neil Daugherty  
 Jacqueline Jo Davis ♣  
 Albert William Davy ♣  
 Rose Virginia Davy ♣  
 Al Davy ♣  
 Bill Dawdy Jr ♣  
 DeLana Dawdy ♣  
 William Dawdy, Sr ♣  
 Floyd Dawson ♣  
 Norma Dawson ♣  
 Colette Dean ♣  
 Albertine "Tiny" DeCou ♣  
 Marian Deiter ♣  
 Basil Delgado ♣  
 Ken Delgado ♣  
 Marie J. Delgado ♣  
 Les & Connie Depperschmidt  
 Sharon Desborough ♣  
 Jerry & Mary Devore  
 Jerry Devore ♣  
 Albert Dextras ♣  
 M.L. Dextras ♣  
 Frank Devine ♣  
 Virleen & Al Dickman ♣  
 Tom Dillon ♣  
 The Dinner Group  
 Howard Dixon ♣  
 Janice Dixon  
 Lavon Dixon ♣  
 Harry Dobson, Jr ♣  
 Mary Dobson ♣  
 Dale Doffing ♣  
 Lawrence & Vicki Doughty ♣  
 Caroline Douvia ♣  
 Diane Doyon ♣  
 Annette Dreiling  
 Bud Dreitzler ♣  
 Helen Dreitzler ♣  
 Jim Dubetsky ♣  
 Father Richard Ducate ♣  
**Marcia DuLac** ♣  
 Keith DuLac  
 Jean Dumont ♣  
 Mary Dupree ♣  
 Raymond Dupree ♣

**Sylvia Duran** ♣  
 John Dussault ♣  
 Tom Dwyer ♣  
 John Dye ♣  
 Kay Dye ♣  
 Troy Dye ♣  
 The Brian & Pam Dyer family  
 Pam Dyer  
 Rod & Andrea Eastman family  
 Father Joe Eckberg  
 Richard "Dick" Eckberg ♣  
 Eckhart Family ♣  
 Barb Eckhart ♣  
 Francis Edmond ♣  
 Egan family  
 Ann Egan  
 Pat Egan ♣  
 Pat and Ann Egan  
 Jane Engels ♣  
 John Engels ♣  
 Leo Engels ♣  
 Marj Engels ♣  
 Pat Engels ♣  
 Ester Enslinger ♣  
 Blanche Erbert  
 Julia Erway ♣  
 Cosmo Sr. & Terrylene J Espinoza  
 Phyllis B. Espinoza ♣  
  
 Gerald F. Fager ♣  
 Gerald W. Fager ♣  
 Maxine Fager ♣  
 James Fahrbach ♣  
 Delores Falk ♣  
 Joe Fanello ♣  
 Joe Fanello's grandchildren  
 John Fanello ♣  
 Louis Fanello ♣  
 Mary E. Fanello ♣  
 Frank Fanning ♣  
 Marcia Fanning  
 Maddie Farber  
 Makinsey Renee Farber  
 Mariah Farber  
 Maximus Paul Farber  
 Aaron & Rachel Farris  
 Danny Farve ♣  
 George & Sadie Favreau ♣  
 Bobbie Feikert ♣  
 Leonard & Kendra Fernandez Family  
 JoAnne Finn

# SAINT MARY PARISH

## Memorials and Honorariums as of Nov 15, 2023

Dr. Fisher ♣	Moses and Stella Grech ♣	Kent & Margie Johnson's 25th anniversary	Larry Kitterman ♣
Geraldine A. Fisher ♣	Stan & Margie Gress	Lonnie Johnson ♣	Abby Kleespie
Jenna Fisher's birthday	Bonnie Grisamore ♣	Robin Johnson ♣	Matthew Klein ♣
Nina Flattery ♣	Clifford Gumm ♣	Steve Johnson ♣	Sister Rose Klein
Christy Flynn	Eric & Kara Gustafson	Eulalia W. Joines ♣	Jim Kleman ♣
Dan Flores ♣	Willie Gutierrez ♣	Charley W. Jones ♣	Leona Kling ♣
Sister Alberta Foley ♣	Donald & Margerie Hageman ♣	Clarice Jones ♣	Knights of Columbus
Kathryn J. Fontaine	Bill Hall ♣	Jimmy Jones ♣	Knights of Columbus ♣
Marie Foral ♣	<b>Bill Hand</b> ♣	Mary Ellen Jones' 80th birthday	Ernie & Belinda Knipp
Colleen Ford	Anna Haney ♣	Richard Jones ♣	<b>Ernie Knipp</b> ♣
Betty Foster	Walter Haney ♣	James A. Jordan ♣	Boston Knowles – birthday
Tony L Foster ♣	Ashley Hankins ♣	Jerrie Joseph ♣	Reginald Knowles ♣
Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Lollar	Kevin & Missy Hansen	Kandlbinder ♣	Leo Konecny ♣
Guido Fratangelo ♣	Russell Hanus ♣	Father Emil Kapaun ♣	Gayle G Koob ♣
Dorothy L. Funk ♣	Gladys Hays ♣	Bill Keating ♣	Antoinette Korphage ♣
Eugene Funk ♣	Barbara Hein ♣	Bob & Maggie Keating ♣	Lawrence Korphage ♣
Darral Garner	Robert Hein ♣	Carol Keller	Terisa Kramer ♣
<b>Joann Gaulin</b> ♣	Paul Hemmen ♣	John Keller ♣	Dean Krenbiel ♣
Martha Gehrer ♣	Mary Heinrich ♣	Darleen JoAnne Kelley ♣	Ralph Krenzer ♣
Agnes Gengler ♣	<b>Harold &amp; Ruth Hendrickson</b> ♣	Alice Kelly ♣	Paul & Zita Kreutzer ♣
Edna Gentry	Betty Breece Hensley ♣	Ed Kelly	Walter Kreutzer ♣
Edna Gentry Retirement	Betty Hensley	Ed & Carole Kelly's 50th anniversary	Daniel Kriszczokaitis ♣
Bishop Eugene Gerber ♣	Elizabeth Ann Hensley ♣	John Kelly ♣	Marie Kriszczokaitis
Ruth Gerlach ♣	Billie Herrmann ♣	David Kelsey ♣	Gerry Kroening's 74th birthday
Bill & Sue Gessler	<b>Larry Herndon</b> ♣	Brother Hugh Kennedy ♣	Gerry Kroening ♣
N.J. Gessler Jr.	<b>Pat Herndon</b> ♣	Charles Kennedy	<b>Gregory Krueger</b> ♣
Martha Gehrer ♣	Higgens ♣	Christine (Tommie) Kennedy ♣	Rick Kuehn ♣
Agnes Gengler ♣	Danielle Hoch	John Kennedy	Mary Kuntz ♣
Edna Gentry	Rex & Cindy Holder	John & Connie Kennedy	Joann Kuszak
Edna Gentry Retirement	Thelma M. Hoffman ♣	Leo & Ida Kennedy ♣	Dr. Amber & Don J. Lambert
Bishop Eugene Gerber ♣	Zachery Hollingsworth	<b>Patrick Kennedy</b> ♣	Rosemary Lambert
Ruth Gerlach ♣	John Holm ♣	Ray & Christine (Tommie) Kennedy-70th Anniversary	Xavier Lambert
Bill & Sue Gessler	Joseph Hosey ♣	<b>Ray &amp; Christine (Tommie)</b> <b>Kennedy</b> ♣	Michael Lamers ♣
N.J. Gessler Jr.	Michael Hosey ♣	Ray Kennedy ♣	Elaine Landes ♣
Martha Gehrer ♣	James & Dianne Houchin	Father's Day 2009	Jack Landes ♣
Agnes Gengler ♣	Lucille R. Houchin ♣	Father's Day 2010	Lola Landis ♣
Edna Gentry	William J. Houchin ♣	Birthday	Lorene Landis ♣
Edna Gentry Retirement	Hildegarde E Bergkamp Housman ♣	Ray & Christine (Tommie) Kennedy ♣	John & Gertrude Landwehr ♣
Bishop Eugene Gerber ♣	Karen Stuhlsatz Hoyer	John P. & Josie Ketzner ♣	Anna Lane ♣
Ruth Gerlach ♣	Hudson ♣	Leonard & Arlee Killion ♣	Harold B. Lane ♣
Bill & Sue Gessler	Margaret Hug	Linda Kind ♣	Vernon Lang ♣
N.J. Gessler Jr. ♣	Jill Hundley ♣	Norman King	Father John Lanzrath
Elizabeth Gibbs ♣	Mae Hundley ♣	Kippenberger Family	Ron & Norma Lee Leabo
Jim Gibbs ♣	Jim Hunter ♣	Joe Kirchhoffer ♣	50th anniversary
Joe Gibfried ♣	Hunter ♣	Joseph Kirchhoffer Jr ♣	Milton Laurie ♣
Gilbert ♣	Rena Jo Hurst ♣	Linda Kind ♣	Donald Lehr ♣
Eileen Gilbert ♣	Francis E. Hurtig ♣	Norman King	Pete & Becky Leidich
Ginger Gilbert ♣	Helen I. Hurtig ♣	Kippenberger Family	Al Leiker ♣
<b>Matt Gilfried</b> ♣	John Huston ♣	Joe Kirchhoffer ♣	Mary E. Leiker ♣
Linda Gomez ♣	Ron Igo ♣	Joseph Kirchhoffer Jr ♣	Kevin & Rachel Lewis
José Martin Gonzalez ♣	Clyde & Vicky Jacobs	Tillie Kisner ♣	Father David Lies
José & Patricinio Gonzalez ♣	Marcy Jacobs ♣		LIFE TEEN Core Team
Patrocinio Gonzalez ♣	Julie Jarvis ♣		Edward A. Lind (of Iola) ♣
Ed Gonzalez ♣	Dortha Johnson ♣		Eugene H. & Regina Lindner ♣
Gabriele A. Gordan ♣	Jessica Johnson Loney		Marguerite Linot ♣
Patricia Gray ♣	Julianna Johnson Burget		Matthew Linot ♣

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Tom & Janice Linot-60th wedding anniversary	Greg & Katie McHenry	Christopher Palmer	Dr. Steven A. Rohr
Tom Linot ♣	Katie McHenry	Douglas Palmer	Joe Roman ♣
<b>Alonzo &amp; Carmetta Lollar ♣</b>	Robert "Bo" McHenry ♣	Michael Palmer	Mary Ronnfeldt ♣
Alonzo A. Lollar ♣	Betty L. McIntyre ♣	Scott Palmer	Mike & Audrey Ronnfeldt
Austin Lollar ♣	Benito & Mary Mendoza	Keyton Pappas' 1st Communion	Anthony Roman ♣
Carmetta Lollar ♣	Eduardo Mendoza ♣	Nikki Parks	Joaquina Flores Rosa ♣
Pat Lollar	Ray & Myrna Messer	Loretta Pater ♣	Henny Penny Rosen ♣
Pat Loney	Jennifer Miller ♣	Rachel Patterson	Brenda Ross ♣
<b>Shari Luehring ♣</b>	Ministers of the Homebound	Agnes Pawloski ♣	Carol Roy ♣
St Monica Guild	Jim Miser ♣	Bernard Pawloski ♣	Marjorie Russell ♣
Julia Stamps ♣	Clarence Mitchell ♣	Bernard Pawloski Jr	Jim Ruane ♣
Margaret L. Stanberry ♣	Best Principal –	65th & 66th birthdays	Jose' G. Sanchez ♣
Shirley RoseMary Stein ♣	Richard Montgomery	Kathy Pawloski ♣	Larry Sanchez ♣
Nora Stewart ♣	Richard & Audrey Montgomery	Richard Pawloski, 74th, 76th, 79th, & 80th birthdays	Jean Sanders ♣
Bert, Kay and Terri Stieger	Melvin Moore ♣	Robert Pawloski Sr, 72nd, 77th, & 78th birthdays	Pat Satterfield ♣
Brett & Katie Stout	Manuel Rosa Moreira ♣	Jerome Peiffer ♣	Richard Schaffer ♣
Bill Stuhlsatz ♣	Jack Morgan ♣	Monte Peterson	Margie Schieber
Bill & Marilyn Stuhlsatz ♣	Opal Morgan ♣	Gerald Pierce	Andy & Rachel Schmeidler
Brock Stuhlsatz	Neva Mosley ♣	Pinaire Family ♣	Dan & Rhonda Schmeidler
Kent & Jeannette Lund	Liddie Mossey	Katy Pinaire's 6th birthday	Gail Schmeidler
John & Betty J. Lux ♣	Grace Eleanor Moyer ♣	Kyle Phelps ♣	James Schmeidler ♣
Betty Jo Lyerla - memorial for library ♣	Lucille Munroe ♣	Marge & Bob Plagmann ♣	James & Joan Schmeidler ♣
Betty Jo Lyerla ♣	Laura H. Murphy ♣	Bill Potter ♣	Tom & Gail Schmeidler
James W. Lyle, Jr. ♣	Patricia L. Murrow ♣	Mary Lou Potter ♣	Sister Louise Schmid ♣
James Madison ♣	Joseph Murtha ♣	Walter L. Powers ♣	Mildred Schmid ♣
Ben Maimer ♣	Joe & Yvette Murtha – 40th Anniversary	Powers	Father Wayne Schmid 80th Birthday
Pat Maimer ♣	Matthew Murtha ♣	Jeanie Provenzano ♣	Father Wayne Schmid
Sheila Maksimowicz	Jerry Muth ♣	David M. Rabe ♣	Father Wayne Schmid- 50th Anniversary of Ordination
Father Pat Malone	Theresa Myers ♣	Laverne M. Rabe ♣	Milton Schmidt
Joseph L. Mamary ♣	Theresa Nabity ♣	Nancy Rader	Gwen Schoolcraft ♣
<b>Pat Mamary ♣</b>	Mary Navarro ♣	Gerald Rafferty ♣	Schneider
Marian Guild	Mamie Neeland ♣	<b>Therese Rafferty</b> ♣	J D Schoenhofer ♣
Charles Marlow ♣	Jim Neises ♣	Hiram Rank ♣	Bill Schrader ♣
Cleo Marlow ♣	Alvin & Louise Newell ♣	Greg & Jeannie Rau	The Sekerak family
Deborah Ann Marlow ♣	Louise Newell ♣	Greg & Sandy Rau	September 11 terrorist victims ♣
Eva Marlow ♣	Armond & Ruby Newell	Roman Rau ♣	Kathy Sexton
Madalyn Antoniana Martin	Richard Newkold ♣	Sandy Rau ♣	Mildred Sexton ♣
Jose Martinez Sr ♣	Bob Newkold ♣	Jada Rausch ♣	Steve Shavlik
Thelma Massions ♣	Dr David & Cindy Niederee	Norbert Reel ♣	Bernice Sheahan ♣
Jamie Maugans ♣	Jennie Nolan ♣	Edna Reyes ♣	Ruth Sheahan ♣
Jim & Phyllis Maxwell – 40th 50th Anniversary	Bud and Dorothy Nolting	Jay Vincent Rhodes ♣	Brad Shelton
Roseanna Maxwell ♣	Doug Nolting	Lucille Ricke ♣	Lexie Shelton
Clem & Martha May ♣	Richard Noone ♣	<b>Bob Riedmiller</b> ♣	<b>Agnes Sherman</b> ♣
Orsman McCammon ♣	Burnette Norman ♣	James Rinke ♣	Clayton Shippers ♣
Jack McCarthy ♣	Bill Novak ♣	Chad and Jamie Roasa	<b>Bill Shively</b> ♣
Daniel J. McCoy ♣	Loretta & Earnest Nutsch ♣	Carter Roberts ♣	Hi Shumsky ♣
Eleanor McDonald ♣	Raymond P O'Brien ♣	Jess Rodriguez ♣	George A Shurick Memorial ♣
Donald Grant McFerson ♣	Virginia Odle ♣	Alfreda Roets ♣	John Simbeck ♣
Donald McFerson	Gertrude Olliges ♣	JP & Michelle Rogers	Teresa Simbeck ♣
Jo McGovern ♣	Shirley Organ ♣	Edna Rohr ♣	Carl Simon ♣
Annie McHenry	Mary Margaret Orsman-Kelch-	Fred Rohr ♣	Evelyn Opal Simon ♣
Gregory M. McHenry ♣	Chris & Janelle Otts wedding	Finley Grace Pahls	Mary Sink ♣

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Kathy Slemp	Brett & Katie Stout	Charlotte Trujillo ♣	The Cynthia Wentworth family
Ann Smith ♣	Bill Stuhlsatz ♣	Jill & Lawrence Trujillo family	Kaitlyn Wentworth
Ann Jo Smith ♣	Bill & Marilyn Stuhlsatz ♣	Bob & Joan VanBoening	Mary Jane Whitehair ♣
Brayden Smith	Brock Stuhlsatz	Heather VanNatta	<b>Sally Wiebe</b> ♣
Charles Smith ♣	Brock & Chloe Stuhlsatz	K Vaughn	Paul and Mary Wilber ♣
Craig & Kitty Smith	Bob & Davi Stuhlsatz	Jeanine Veach ♣	<b>Calvin Wilbert</b> ♣
Ed Smith	Davi Stuhlsatz Birthday	Frances Vicik ♣	Ellen Wilbert ♣
Ed & Kim Smith	Davi Stuhlsatz	William Vicik ♣	Brianna Wildoner ♣
Michelle Smith	John Stuhlsatz	Gerardo & Florentina Villar ♣	Al & Norma Williams'
Taylor Smith	John & Kathy Stuhlsatz	<b>Elaine VinZant</b> ♣	50th anniversary
Thelma Mitchell Smith	Kathy Stuhlsatz	Volunteers to the Parish	The Bryan Williams family
Connie Sommerhauser ♣	Marilyn Stuhlsatz ♣	Kathleen Wade ♣	Connie Williams ♣
Bill Sontag ♣	Marissa Jo Stuhlsatz ♣	Sharon Wallace ♣	The Greg Williams family
<b>Julia Sontag</b> ♣	Bryan Swank	Eric & Kathy Walsten	The Jim Williams family
Logan Sontag ♣	Dorothy Takach ♣	Charles Waple ♣	The Mike Williams family
Harold Sorenson ♣	Greg Talley ♣	Teresa Waple ♣	Greg & Renae Williamson
Madeline Speed's birthday	Gai Thi Tan ♣	Dave & Diniece Warlick	Cat Wilson
Andre Spence	Terry Tapp ♣	Ray Warren ♣	Clara J. Witters ♣
Ronald & Mary Spence ♣	Darlene DuLac Thompson ♣	Virginia Warren ♣	Lillian Wittman ♣
Betty Srader ♣	George & Irene Thyfault	John Washburn	Andy Wojcik ♣
St Anne's Guild	Tom Tichenor ♣	Judy Webster, for school	Ann Wolke ♣
St Bernadette Guild members ♣	Nadine C. Tiemeyer ♣	library ♣	Donald Wolke ♣
St Francis Guild	Ben Titus ♣	Ralph Weigandt	Marie Wolke & family
St Mary Class of 2012	Mary E. Titus ♣	Ralph & Carmen Weigandt	Philip Wolke Sr ♣
St Mary faithful Stewards	Artura Torres ♣	60th Anniversary	Ralph Wolke ♣
St Mary Parish members ♣	Irene Trainer ♣	Bill Weilert	Helen Woydziak ♣
St Mary teachers & staff	Trujillo Family	Logan Weinman–	Dalton Wright
St Mary Parish staff	Tully family	1st Communion	Harlan Wright, Sr. ♣
St Mary middle school teachers	Jane Turner ♣	Haley Weinman–	Jerry Young ♣
St Monica Guild	Norm Urban ♣	1st Communion	Victor & Louise Zeringue ♣
Julia Stamps ♣	Jane Ullom	Bert Wendling ♣	Steven L. Zirkle ♣
Margaret L. Stanberry ♣	Joseph Wayne Tran ♣	Joe & Laura Wendling ♣	Sister Marie Zoglman
<b>Shirley RoseMarie Stein</b> ♣	Reagan Marie Tran	<b>Clarice Wenke</b> ♣	Roman Zoglman ♣
Nora Stewart ♣	John Truex III ♣		
Bert, Kay and Terri Stieger			

## Celebrating Life: Memorial & Honorarium Gifts

Consider making a memorial or honorarium gift as a warm and meaningful way to honor those who've passed, to celebrate life, or to express appreciation to our living community members. These gifts not only pay homage to loved ones but also contribute to a sense of togetherness among our parishioners.

Memorial gifts hold a special place, gracefully acknowledging the memories of those we've lost. On the flip side, honorarium gifts bring joy and gratitude to shared celebrations, uniting our community in moments of happiness.

These contributions go beyond sentimentality; they play a vital role in shaping the future of our faith community. Your support helps create spaces for spiritual growth and eases

parish debt, ensuring stability and growth in our shared journey of faith.

Giving is made simple with options like cards available in our gather space or envelopes that can be filled out for the parish staff to send. It's a heartfelt and effortlessly shared experience.

If you have any questions or need assistance, don't hesitate to reach out to our friendly parish office team at 316-788-5525 or [parish@stmarysderby.com](mailto:parish@stmarysderby.com).

We're always here to support those making a lasting impact. Together, let's celebrate life, honor the past, and build a foundation for the future with the strength of our shared faith.



*Kate Records, Pam Dyer, Fr. Michael Linnebur, Kellie Ketchersid, Dave Warlick*

## Putting Heads Together for an Amazing Parish

Dear Parishioners,

Not long after I arrived here at St. Mary's, I quickly realized that our parish is blessed in so many ways! We are a relatively young parish (median age of 37), and there is a lot of life coming and going on our campus (1,096 registered families). We are also blessed with a great school and many life-giving ministries, which are helping our parishioners to personally encounter Jesus in a whole host of ways. And this is really the purpose of a parish – to be a place and a family where we not only encounter Jesus, but also seek to live and grow together as His disciples.

And so, not long after I arrived here last July, I began to ask the question: Where is the Lord leading us here at St. Mary? It is still a question I ask and ponder often, as this is really His church, His school, His parish family. And as the pastor (and only priest) of this vibrant parish, I know all too well, that discerning the needs of our parish family is a pretty big task for one person.

With this in mind, last spring I began preparations for implementing the

Amazing Parish leadership model. This model focuses on a team-leadership approach in the parish, and is currently being used in a number of parishes in our Diocese. The premise for a team-leadership approach is simple: a group can lead more effectively than an individual, and the leader partnership can be incredibly helpful for a pastor when the volume of activities is high.

As a result, with the assistance of the Amazing Parish staff, last spring I discerned and prayed about who would be great candidates for joining me in this new Parish Leadership Team (PLT). After extending invitations, and their prayer and discernment about their involvement, our PLT was formed and now includes: Pam Dyer, Kellie Ketchersid, Kate Records, Dave Warlick, and myself.

In June, we traveled to the Amazing Parish Summit in Phoenix, Arizona, to gain a better understanding of this leadership model, and to learn how to apply it on a daily and weekly basis. What is unique to the Amazing Parish leadership model is that it focuses not only on the leadership of the parish, but also in building cultures of

unceasing prayer, healthy teamwork, and active discipleship in the parish.

Our PLT meets twice a week, not only to discern the needs of our parish, but also to pray together and for each other. We are seeking to grow in these cultures of prayer, teamwork, and discipleship among ourselves, so that we can then lead others here at St. Mary in doing the same. Above all, we are seeking to lead our parish family to become the disciples of Jesus that He so needs and desires.

I am incredibly grateful for the time, energy, and dedication that Pam, Kellie, Kate, and Dave continue to give for me and our parish on the PLT, in addition to the many "hats" they are already wearing. Please thank them when you see them, and please pray for our PLT and our parish family, that we may continue to become the people, the disciples, that Jesus is calling us to be. May God bless you and your families!

In Christ,

Fr. Michael Linnebur



## A Radiant Solution: Stained Glass Panel

We are thrilled to share some exciting news that will bring both aesthetic beauty and practical relief to our church sanctuary. After careful consideration and with the input of our various dedicated committees the decision has been made to install a stunning stained glass panel in the East windows of our church.

One of the primary reasons behind this decision is to address the issue of the sun's glare during Mass. We understand that the radiant sun, while a symbol of divine light, has occasionally proven to be a distraction for some of our worshippers, causing discomfort as it filters through the East windows and shines directly into people's eyes.

To ensure that our congregation can fully immerse themselves in the serenity of the Mass without any hindrance, the stained glass panel will be strategically designed to filter and soften the sunlight. This addition will not only enhance the overall ambiance of the sanctuary but also provide a more comfortable worship environment for everyone.

The stained glass panel took shape through parishioner Gary Schmidt's original design, where he envisioned Mary in prayer at the foot of Jesus after his crucifixion. Gary found inspiration in the surroundings of St. Mary, drawing from the St. Mary statue at the school's entrance and

Jesus' feet on the Kapaun Crucifix.

In a collaborative effort with the church stained glass committee—Jan Sattler, Sue Gessler, and Sheila Maksimowicz and Gary—the design underwent refinement. Together, they added intricate patterns and vibrant colors, reflecting the spiritual essence and unity within our parish community. The end result is a beautiful masterpiece that captures the tranquility and togetherness of our shared faith.

The installation process is set to begin in late Spring to early Summer 2024, and we anticipate its completion in time for the upcoming 2024-25 school year.



Catechist Brenda Jensen brings to life her lesson for her PSR students

## Faith and Growth at PSR

This semester, in Parish School of Religion (PSR) our focus has been on deepening our understanding of the Scripture. Our younger students have delved into the stories of the Old Testament, bringing to life the tales of Noah's Ark and Moses with creative arts and crafts.

Our middle-grade students have been exploring the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. Through interactive sessions, they've discussed the parables and miracles of Jesus, developing a deeper understanding of His message of love and compassion. Their thoughtful questions and insightful reflections during these discussions are a clear indicator of their growing faith.

Apart from classroom learning, our students have prayed a rosary in front of the Marian Grotto. They have begun attending and participating in serving in Mass celebrated by Father Michael. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated catechists, supportive parents, and of course, our enthusiastic students, who make St. Mary PSR a place of faith, learning, and growth. May God bless our parish, our families, and our journey together in faith.

- Jerrod Ketchersid, Director of Religious Education

## Calendar: Dec 2023–Jan 2024

Mon Dec 25	Merry Christmas! Midnight & 9 am Mass today (NO 11 am) Parish Office and school closed
Tue Dec 26	Parish Office and school closed
Wed Dec 27	NO Youth Group, NO PSR
Sat Dec 30	Eve of the Eve dance (HS teens), 7 -11 pm, school commons
Sun Dec 31	Vigil Mass, 6:30 pm
Mon Jan 1	<b>Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God, holy day of obligation</b> <b>Mass at 8 am and 6:30 pm</b> Parish Office and school closed
Wed Jan 3	NO PSR Youth Group resumes, 7-8:30 pm, Portable
Thu Jan 4	SMPS resumes Confirmation Rehearsal, 7 pm, church RCIA, 7 pm, Rm 112
Sat Jan 6	Feast of Epiphany Confirmation, 10 am, church First Saturday Mass, 8 am Kapauns Men meets following Mass, Knights Hall The Lord's Diner
Sun Jan 7	Coffee & Donuts, 10–11 am, Knights Hall Children's Liturgy of the Word, 11 am Mass Prayer & Grief Support, 3:30 pm, Room 112
Mon Jan 8	Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm, Rm 114
Wed Jan 10	Knights of Columbus General Meeting, 7 pm, Knights Hall AA meeting, 9:30 am, Faith Center Rm 114 PSR resumes, 6 pm, school
Thu, Jan 11	Youth Group, 7-8:30 pm, Portable Altar Society, 6:30 pm, K of C Hall RCIA, 7 pm, Rm 112
Fri Jan 12	Epic Bible Study 7 pm, School Library Epic Bible Study, 9 am, Rm 112
Sat Jan 13	Family Home Rosary group, 7 pm, Lund home
Sun Jan 14	Kapauns Men, 8 am, Knights Hall (all men welcome) Welcome/Parish Breakfast, after the 9 am Mass, Knights Hall Children's Liturgy of the Word, 11 am
Mon Jan 15	NO School Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm, Rm 114
Tue Jan 16	Walking With Purpose resumes, 9:30 am, Knights Hall Walking With Purpose resumes, 7 pm, Knights Hall
Wed Jan 17	<b>K of C Free Throw contest (ages 9-14), 3:30-5 pm, school gym</b> AA meeting, 9:30 am, Faith Center Rm 114 PSR, 6 pm, School
Thu Jan 18	NO Youth Group (HS youth on March for Life) MOYC, 7 pm, Knights Hall, babysitting in Rm 114 Epic Bible Study, 7 pm, School Library RCIA, 7 pm, Rm 112

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Carsen Nickelson painted a pumpkin for the homebound

## Youth Spiritual Growth

Written by: Brynn Covey,  
Calais Hickerson, and Cat Wilson

Youth Group is a fun-filled night held every Wednesday. It is a ministry geared toward middle and high school students, (they do not have to be a St. Mary student or even be a part of the parish to participate).

At each session, we do many fun activities including making cards for parish shut-ins, painting pumpkins for the parish homebound, baking for our annual craft fair bake sale, making donation boxes for children in the Wichita area that don't have much, and much more.

We also incorporate fun games that we play with our amazing game leader Debbie Funke. Some of these games include tag, kickball, volleyball, kill ball, eclipse ball, pickleball, dodge ball, gaga ball, play on the playground, and open gym time.

Throughout the night we learn about Jesus Christ with our awesome leaders Anni Johnson, Cat Wilson, Stacy Mitchell, and Don Roberson.

Our night always ends with night prayer, which is the BEST part of the night. We pray the Liturgy of the Hours evening prayer in the church, and then sing a really beautiful song we learned, *Salve Regina*, we sing in Latin.

Youth Group is open to everyone grades 6-12. We meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30. Fr. Michael comes to hang out with us when he is available. Join us!

## Save the Date for Totus Tuus

Save the Date! Totus Tuus is coming back to St. Mary this summer for students entering grades 1-12 for the 2024-25 school year! It will be June 9-15, 2024. We are fortunate this year to be have been asked to host 3 teams, that means we will need housing for the week for 12 young adults (6 boys and 6 girls). If you are interested in hosting the Totus Tuus team members or helping with meals, please contact Cat at [cwilson@stmarysderby.com](mailto:cwilson@stmarysderby.com). Registration for Totus Tuus will begin in April.

## Calendar: Jan 2024 (cont.) & Looking ahead

Fri Jan 19	Epic Bible Study, 9 am, Rm 112 Family Home Rosary group, 7 pm, church March for Life 2024
Sat Jan 20	Kapauns Men, 8 am, Knights Hall (all men welcome)
Sun Jan 21	Coffee & Donuts, 10-11 am, Knights Hall Children's Liturgy of the Word, 11 am Mass Hot Dog Lunch & Welcome, after 11 am Mass, Knights Hall
Mon Jan 22	Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm, Rm 114 K of C officers, 7 pm, Knights Hall
Tue Jan 23	Walking With Purpose, 9:30 am, Knights Hall Walking With Purpose, 7 pm, Knights Hall
Wed Jan 24	AA meeting, 9:30 am, Faith Center Rm 114 PSR, 6 pm, School Youth Groups, 7 – 8:30 pm, Portable
Thu Jan 25	RCIA, 7 pm, Rm 112 Epic Bible Study, 7 pm, School Library
Fri Jan 26	Epic Bible Study, 9 am, Rm 112 Family Home Rosary group, 7 pm, church
Sat, Jan 27	Kapauns Men, 8 am, Knights Hall (all men welcome)
Sun, Jan 28	Catholic Schools Week begins Coffee & Donuts, 10-11 am, Knights Hall Children's Liturgy of the Word, 11 am Mass
Mon Jan 29	Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm, Faith Center Rm 114
Tue Jan 30	Walking With Purpose, 9:30 am, Knights Hall Walking With Purpose, 7 pm, Knights Hall

### LOOKING AHEAD

Sat Feb 3	Valentine Dinner & Dance, 6 pm, School Commons
Wed Feb 14	Lent begins, Ash Wednesday Masses at 8 am and 6:30 pm
Mon Mar 11	Spring Break, no school this week, no other faith formation sessions
Sat Mar 30	Easter Vigil, 8 pm Mass
Sun Mar 31	Easter Sunday, 9 & 11 am Mass, overflow seating in School Commons
Sat May 4	First Communion, 10 am
Wed May 22	School dismisses at noon for Summer

## Rest in Peace

Please remember in your prayers these parishioners who have died since Easter:

**Marcia DuLac**, wife of Keith; mother of Brian DuLac, Michelle Smith, Regina DuLac, and Sean DuLac, died on April 9.

**Joanne Marie Gaulin**, mother of Karen, Debi, Cathy, Mark, and Robert, died on April 17.

**Patricia "Pat" Herndon**, grandmother to eight grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren, died on April 22.

**Dorothy Roth**, wife of Ralph; mother of two children, and grandmother to numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, died on April 29.

**Rosemary Cheney**, wife of George; mother to Susan Rae, died April 30.

**Thayne J. Ellis**, wife of Hayden; mother of two and grandmother to numerous children, died on June 8.

**Bill Shively**, husband of Susie, father of Jeffrey, Kent, Yvonne "Bonnie" Brewer,

Michael, William H. Shively Jr, and Dana Wappelhorst, step-father to Larry Ewart, and Carla Wright, died on July 2.

**Greg Krueger**, husband of Nancy, father of Mitch, Amy Cline, and Nathan, grandfather to six grandchildren and one great-grandchild, died Aug 4.

**John Bohrer**, husband of Diane, died Sept 18.

**Matthew Gibfried**, father of Joe and Alisha McQuillan, grandfather to three grandchildren, died Sept 28.

**Mary "Joyce" Bailey**, wife of Gary, mother of Todd, Susan Adams, and Angela Tomlinson, grandmother to numerous grandchildren, died on Oct 28.

**Bob Riedmiller**, husband of Shirley; father of David, Marcia, Karen Romero, Roger, and Barbara; grandfather to eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, died Oct 29.

## Thank you!

To everyone that extended a greeting to a newcomer, mentored a new family, visited after Mass, helped with a child or an event, or shared your gifts this year! It is because of you that we have such a friendly and welcoming parish.  
Keep it up!

### NEWCOMERS

A warm welcome to our parish family. Please call the Parish Office, 316-788-5525, email [parish@stmarysderby.com](mailto:parish@stmarysderby.com) or visit [stmarysderby.com](http://stmarysderby.com) for registration information.

### MASSES

Mass is at 8 am Tues-Fri, 5 pm on Saturday and 9 and 11 am Sunday.

Sunday 9 am Mass is live-streamed on our parish You Tube channel, [youtube.com/saintmaryderby](https://youtube.com/saintmaryderby).

### ALL PARISHIONERS

Please keep us informed of changes in names, addresses, phone #'s etc. to update our files.

### SACRAMENTS

Our loving God always welcomes us back, and forgives our sins. –Fr Michael

**Reconciliation:** Tue-Fri, 7:30-7:55 am, Sat 3:30-4:30 pm, and by appointment

**Baptism, Anointing, Marriage, or Funerals** Contact the parish office, 316-788-5525 or [parish@stmarysderby.com](mailto:parish@stmarysderby.com).

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