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**Masses:**

**Saturday:** 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

**Weekday:** Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:45 a.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m., Saturdays at 3:00 p.m. or by appointment

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Baptisms are celebrated during or after any weekend Mass. Instructions for parents having their first child baptized are held the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a date.

**Sacrament of Matrimony**

Please contact Fr. Chris AT LEAST SIX MONTHS prior to your proposed wedding date to begin preparation for your marriage and to schedule a date.

**New to the Parish?**

We are glad to welcome you as a member of our Parish Family.

**Directory**

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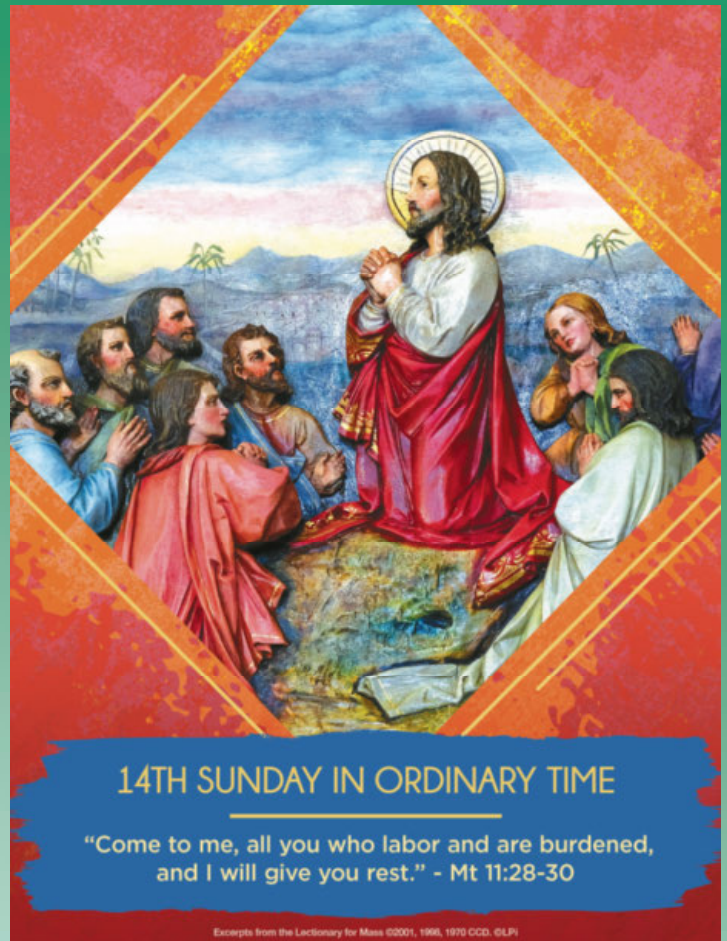
**OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday–Thursday**  
**8:00am—3:30pm**

**Friday**  
**8:00 am—2:00 pm**

**Lunch 12-1**

July 9, 2023



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest.” - Mt 11:28-30

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 02001, 1998, 1970 CCD, GLPI

**This Week in Our Parish**

<u>Sun July 9:</u>	BINGO (K of C)	5:00 pm
<u>Mon July 10:</u>	Psalms Bible Study	9:00 am
<u>Tues July 11:</u>	C L of C (HFR)	6:30 pm
<u>Thur July 13:</u>	Legion of Mary (HFR)	2:00 pm

**Liturgical Schedule\*\*****SUNDAY, JULY 9**

8:30 AM Leona Adams  
10:30 AM Linus and Joyce Unterbrink

**MONDAY, JULY 10**

No Services

**TUESDAY, JULY 11 + St. BENEDICT**

8:00 AM—5:30 PM Adoration  
6:00 PM No Services

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 12**

8:45 AM No Services

**THURSDAY, JULY 13 + St. HENRY**

8:45 AM No Services

**FRIDAY, JULY 14 + St. KATERI TEKAKWITHA**

8:45 AM Robert Koehl

**SATURDAY, JULY 15**

4:00 PM Carmen Jacobs

**SUNDAY, JULY 16**

8:30 AM Rick Say  
10:30 AM Patricia Minnich, Aloysius Kill, Jr.

**Servers, Eucharistic Minister, Lector & Usher Schedules for July 15 & 16, 2023****SATURDAY, JULY 15, 4:00 PM**

Servers: Christopher Golliver & Greg Hirzel  
E. M.: B Calger, M Ditmyer, J Morman, J Morman,  
T Reinhart  
Ushers: Doug Heckler  
Lector: Matt Krol  
Organist & Cantor: Dee Fisher & Shelby Merkle

**SUNDAY, JULY 16, 8:30 AM**

Servers: Brynleigh Moody & Colton Moody  
E. M.: G Kulwicki, A Laurent, S Laurent, T Plas, B Wolke  
Ushers: Jim Brickner  
Lector: Diana Pollock  
Organist & Cantor: Christopher Golliver & John Gamble

**SUNDAY, JULY 16, 10:30 AM**

Servers: Nate Drerup & Madison Pease  
E. M.: J Comer, B Fallis, M Fallis, M Geesey, B Tobias  
Ushers: Mark Keber  
Lector: Aaron Reichert  
Organist & Cantor: Christopher Golliver & Mia Keirns

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Please come forward immediately when the prayers for extending Peace are offered. This will help substitutes know they are needed and allow sufficient time to be ready at the altar. @Also, please watch for a total of 6 with Father, Deacons and yourselves.

*\*\*Angie has many opening for Mass Intentions. Contact the Parish Office to schedule an intention for your loved ones who have passed..*

**A Nice Week in July**

Let me share with you several things that will be happening this week on a personal and public note. First the personal:

I will be gone this week from Monday, July 10 until Thursday, July 13. There will be no Masses Monday through Thursday, but there will be a morning Mass on Friday. I am heading to West Virginia and staying at Oglebay Resort attending the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology Priest Conference. A few hundred priests come from all over to hear Biblical presentations from several speakers including Scott Hahn. The theme for this year's conference is "Holiness." That is certainly a great topic for any priest. I attended one of these gatherings about five years ago and was very impressed with the talks and all the events that took place. Since the Toledo Priests Diocesan Conference is next summer, I decided to attend St. Paul Center Conference this year. Keep me in your prayers for a great week and I will certainly return the favor to you when I am gone.

I will return on Thursday, July 13, but with a four-hour drive, I did not feel comfortable scheduling a public Mass that day not knowing for certain that I could make it back here in time. July 13 is a big day in my family because it is my dad's birthday. This year he will celebrate his 81st birthday. He has the same birthday and is the same age as actor Harrison Ford. Therefore, if you can see the last Indiana Jones movie that is out in the theaters—you can think about my dad. You can also pray that my dad and Harrison Ford have a Happy Birthday!

Now some public happenings this week: We have several saints feast days this week. The first is Tuesday, July 11—St. Benedict who is known as the "Patriarch of Western Monasticism." He was famous for writing the monastic Rule that stressed obedience. He ended up founding twelve monasteries including Monte Casino.

The feast day for St. Kateri Tekakwitha is Friday, July 14. She was known as the Lily of the Mohawks. Despite abuse from her fellow tribesmen for becoming Catholic, she remained true to her newfound faith. She died at the very young age of 24, but was known for great pious practices such as waiting outside church in the cold and the snow for the church to open so she could receive the Eucharist at Mass.

The feast day of St. Bonaventure is Saturday, July 15. He was both a Bishop and Doctor of the Church. He wrote many philosophical and theological works including "Journey of the Soul to God", "Tree of Life" and "The Life of St. Francis." His role as pastor and teacher inspired many people in the Catholic faith.

You may have other things that you will be celebrating this week and I hope all goes well for you!

Thanks, and God Bless!!!

Fr. Chris

**St. Mary's Religious Education**



*We are all God's Children*

**Eucharistic Miracle of Morne-Rouge, Caribbean Island of Martinique, 1902**

On May 8, 1902, Ascension Day, the Mount Pelée volcano started erupting lava and ashes. The inhabitants of Morne-Rouge, strongly devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, immediately hurried to their parish church to ask Our Lady of Deliverance to spare their village from catastrophe.

At that moment of sudden danger, people rushed to the confessionals. The parish priest, Fr. Mary, gave a general absolution to all the faithful, distributed Holy Communion, and then exposed the Blessed Sacrament for public adoration. At a certain point, a woman cried out, "The Sacred Heart of Jesus is in the Host!" A large number of people witnessed the apparition of Jesus in the Host, showing His Sacred Heart crowned with thorns. Some declared they also saw the Precious Blood of Jesus dripping from His Sacred Heart. The vision lasted several hours and stopped only after the reposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle. On May 8th, the village of Morne-Rouge was spared from the volcano's devastating fury. Therefore, the local population had a chance to reconcile themselves with God, receive the sacraments, and so be prepared to die in the state of grace.

On August 30th of the same year, a violent eruption of the same volcano destroyed also the village of Morne-Rouge.

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**SCHOOL NEWS**

We believe the values we teach are not only character development, but a call to Holiness.

*Summer Bulletins will feature comments and photos of the students who recently graduated from St. Mary's. The information for these comments came from answers they supplied in a written interview. Congratulations to these fine young people.*



**Gabby Eversole**

Gabby started attending St. Mary's in Kindergarten and plans to enroll at Delphos St. John's next year. She is the daughter of Scott and Renae Eversole. She considers her biggest success at St. Mary's to be winning the Quiz Bowl. Some of her favorite memories are going to Camp Storer and playing with her

class. She feels she will miss the teachers and her classmates the most. The staff member who had a positive influence on her life is Mr. Hesseling because he taught them that they can always fit jokes and fun into school. Her favorite Bible character is Mary, the Mother of Jesus, because she is an excellent role model for living a life that pleases God.

**Various Pictures of the All our 6th Graders from this past year. Thanks for all the great memories and God Bless all of you on your next stage in life. Once a Royal, Always a Royal!**



# BINGO

July 9: Patrick Horstman, TIM KORTE,  
Dave Hohman, Fr. Chris

July 16: Matt Krol, SHELBY MERKLE,  
Linda Heitkamp, NEED 1

## KITCHEN WORKERS Report By 4:30 PM

July 9: Meta Dreyer & April Korte

July 16: Katie Drerup & Allison Harting

**St. Mary's Bingo—K of C Hall  
425 Woodland Ave.**

**Doors open at 5:00 PM for games  
Warm-Up Bingo at 6:15 PM**

## Reconciliation Opportunities

- \*\*Every Tuesday at 9:00 - 10 am
- \*\*Every Saturday from 3:00 - 3:40 pm
- \*\*Or by appointment

## PENSION PROTECTION ACT

**Extended for 2017 and future years.**

For those aged 72 1/2 or older, it is once again possible to make tax-favored charitable gifts from traditional and Roth IRA accounts. This act allows individuals to donate up to \$100,000 to charitable organizations directly from their IRA.

Qualified Charitable Distributions allow that a portion can be contributed to charity (Churches) without any tax and without effecting your Medicare B & D premiums.

## RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR JUNE 25, 2023

ADULT OFFERING FROM 84 ENVELOPES	\$3,351.70
TOTAL ANONYMOUS	506.00
CHILDREN OFFERING FROM 0 ENVELOPES	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,857.70</b>

## DO YOU USE BILL PAY?

NOW is the time to set up Bill Pay!!!! Angie has seen an increase in donations she receives through parishioners BILL PAY accounts. If you pay other bills with BILL PAY, it is easy to set it up for St. Mary's. A check is received in the mail from your bank with your name and it is recorded with other deposits.

If you have questions regarding bill pay, talk to your financial institution.

## SPREAD THE LOVE WITH SCRIP!



It's wedding season! Getting married is expensive. This year give gift cards to help the happy couple begin their new life together. When you purchase Scrip Gift Cards, you also give to St. Mary's. Scrip cards are available at the Parish office, 8 am to 3:30 pm and after all Weekend Masses or call Angie, 238-3979.

## TUESDAY ADORATION



There is an opening during our weekly Tuesday adoration. We need someone to spend the 5—5:30 pm time in adoration. Mass begins at 6 pm. Please call the Parish Office if interested.

## CHOIR?

If there is enough interest, we would like to have a choir once again.

All ages are welcome.

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 419-238-3979

Summer is a great time for fun and relaxed schedules. It is, however, easy to forget our obligations, especially to the liturgical ministries at Mass (ie being a server, reader, Eucharistic Minister or an usher). Why not put them on our calendars now - - if you are unable to be present, please arrange for a substitute. It is difficult for people to "fill-in" at the last minute. This is a gift to all our parishioners and visitors as we celebrate the great gift of the Eucharist.



Eric Alexander, Jack Aurand, Carole Burnett, Sam Carter, Octavio Chavez, Lou Dickinson, Melissa Fallis, Josie Felger, Juanita Finger, Jackie Gerber, Angie Hoehn, Judy Hoersten, Braedan Hormann, Sean Kimmert, Brent Kinkle, Michael Kirkendall, Megan Klosterman, Kourtney Kohnen, Dave Lianez, Emanuel Lianez, Donna Long, Diane Minnig, Michael and Corinne Musselman, Christy Paisley, Marge Price, Cassie Priest, J R Reinhart, Bob Say, Adam Schrader, Carolyn Schneider, Dick Stegaman, Kathy Wehrkamp

The sick person or a close relative are the only ones who should call to add or remove name(s) to this list.

**GOD BLESS OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN**

Please pray for all those serving in our military: Lt. Colonel Virginia Brickner, Sgt. William (Ed) Carter, Rear Admiral Christopher Cavanaugh, 1st Lt. Brian Easley, 2nd Lt. Andrew Hammond, Airman Brendan Hanf, Airman Leisal Hanf-Fleming, CTN1 Quintin Mengerink, PFC Landon Moody, SRA Reagan Priest, A1C Vincent Silette, SSgt. Nate Sinning, 2nd LT Olivia Skelton, CPT Tanner Skelton, MSgt. Robert Stant, SRA Ashley Stant, Corp. Andrew Szymanski, Lance Corp Sam Szymanski, CW Jeremy Stevenson, 2nd Commander Sean Stuart. Please submit to the Parish Office names of parishioners who are currently serving in the armed forces.



**Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!** Jason Novicky from LPI, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin.

Church bulletin advertising is a cost-effective way to advertise 52 times per year and show support for your local community; in turn parishioners will support you!

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE**

Please call the Parish Office, if you would like to receive the LOW GLUTEN HOSTS during Mass.

**Bread & Bowl 2023**

The Bread & Bowl dates for 2023 for St Mary's are:

*August 18th  
December 8th*

This is a Friday night take-out meal for the needy in Van Wert County. This is a wonderful outreach opportunity for a group or family. For more details, please contact Terry Plas at 419-203-1553.

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**Traveling?  
Need to find a Catholic Church?**

Visit [www.thecatholicdirectory.com](http://www.thecatholicdirectory.com). Catholic churches around the world are listed with Mass times and locations.

**Readings for the Week of July 9, 2023**

- Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30
- Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7
- Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15
- Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23
- Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33
- Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Were you baptized in the Catholic Church but you have received limited or no Catholic religious education growing up?

Perhaps you were not ready for Confirmation when you were younger, but now you would like to complete the Sacraments of Initiation.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is an opportunity to begin or renew your religious education.

Classes will begin in September.

Call Fr. Chris at 238-3979 for more information.





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