## St. Mary's Catholic Church

## Parish Staff:

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Mass Schedule Sat.— 5:30 pm Mass Thurs.—8:30am Mass

**Reconciliation:** Before Mass or by Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism – Baptisms are celebrated during the Saturday 5:30p.m. Mass. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

**Marriages** – Diocesan Policy require at least a six month preparation process. Couples who are planning to marry should speak directly with the Pastor before setting a date. No Weddings are scheduled on Sundays.

Hospitalized Parishioners – Due to a change in the privacy law, Father cannot go to the hospital and ask for a list of parishioners for him to visit. As a patient, you must ask the hospital to notify the Rectory that you are requesting a visit. For our homebound parishioners, if you would like Father to visit, please call the Rectory and Father will be more than happy to come and visit you. Thank you!

Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 8, 2022

## Mass Intentions:

5/07/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Joe Kersch (Kay & Family) 5/12/22 Thurs. 8:30am +Lucille Christensen (Altar & Rosary) +Vivian Murphy (Don & Norma O'Brien) 5/14/22 Sat. 5:30pm Parishioners AND

William & Donna Masching (Anniv.)

**Remember in Prayer** our deceased relatives and friends, the ill of our parish and community, nursing home residents, the homeless, hungry and unemployed, those living alone and our own special intentions we hold deep in our hearts. Keep in prayer all men and women serving our country, the injured and those being held prisoners. Let us not forget all men and women who gave up their lives so that we may live in freedom and peace!

Liturgical Schedule for Lectors 5/07/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Melinda 5/14/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bridget



**Holy Father's Intention for the month of May:** General Intention: For faith-filled young people. We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Weekly Income:Sunday Collection\$ 725.00Home Missions\$ 25.00Your Offering is most appreciated!

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**Prayers for Sick** Kay Kersch, Heidi Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, Debbie Turner, and Michael Mullen

**Welcome!** We welcome all new individuals, couples and families to St. Mary's Parish. If you haven't already done so, please register with the rectory office. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board or on our website swkrcatholics.org Thank you!

**Mother**-The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral—a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body. The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation. What on God's good earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother?

Happy Mother's Day! May God Bless all Mothers!

**Congratulations** to Ayden Marcotte who received First Holy Communion last weekend. Also, thank you to the teachers and his parents for preparing him for this important Sacrament. Remember to keep Holy the Sabbath!



**World Day of Prayer for Vocations**-today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life? Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

MAY CROWNING MAY 15<sup>th</sup> 1 PM, THE SHRINE OF CHRIST'S PASSION, 10630 Wicker Ave. St. John, IN. Procession begins at the Mary statue at St. John the Evangelist Church and proceeds down the Prayer Trail to OUR LADY of the NEW MILLENIUM. ALL OUR INVITED! PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING!

"I remember my mother's prayers and they have always followed me. They have clung to me all my life." - Abraham Lincoln

**The Knights of Columbus #1574** — **Casino Night**-Come out for a night of fun while helping out a great cause! All guests are able to win "funny money" throughout the night; the Top 10 Winners take home cash prizes!! 1st-\$500, 2nd-\$300, 3rd-\$200, 4th-\$150, 5th-\$100, 6th-10th \$50. May 28th 5pm-9pm at St. Lawrence Parish Hall. Tickets are \$25 each and includes unlimited food/drinks <u>plus</u> \$25 in "funny money" to get you started! Games include: Blackjack, Slot Machines, Texas Hold'em, Five Card Draw, etc. <u>Proceeds to benefit St. Lawrence Church and Refugee Relief in Ukraine!</u> Contact John Guistat at (815) 593-5827 or email at john.guistat@kof.org for tickets. Tickets also available at the door for \$25.

**Elbow Benders 59th Annual Spaghetti Supper**-Saturday, May 7th 2022 at The Parish Hall in South Wilmington. Serving from 5 to 9 pm. All you can Eat & Drink. (Spaghetti and Beer). Donation: Adults \$6. Child Portion available. Carry outs available at door. Proceeds benefit area youth baseball & softball.

Word of Life-"O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers"

**Fourth Sunday of Easter – 08 May 2022** Acts 13:14, 43-52. Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5. Revelation 7:9, 14b-17. John 10:27-30. **Hearing the Voice of the Shepherd.** Oh, to hear the voice of the One who keeps us safe. The One who protects us all. The One who leads us to the Father. We do know and believe that this shepherd still speaks today – often very softly. How will I listen for the voice of the Shepherd every day? How will I choose to follow the voice of this Shepherd and not other voices? How can I help others to listen to this voice? And follow?

