

**PRAYER CHAIN**



pray for others

request prayers

Be a link in our parish email prayer chain contact Lee Griggs in the parish office 812-425-1577 x207 or lgriggs@evdio.org

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**Sts. Mary & John Parish Council**

- Christy Baker Richard Burek
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**Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
**March 15, 2026**



**Sts. Mary and John Catholic Parish**  
**St. Mary Church**

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**WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday Mass 4:00 pm | Confession 3:15-3:45 pm  
Sunday Mass 10:00 am | Confession 9:15-9:45 am  
Sunday Mass 4:00 pm | Confession 3:15-3:45 pm

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  
Adoration 11:00 am | Confession 11:30-11:55 am | Mass 12:05 pm

*The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want...  
Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.*



**Turn in bulletin items Tuesdays by 4pm**

**Office Hours:** Monday-Friday 8 am- 4 pm  
**Food Pantry Hours:** Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 am-Noon and 1-3 pm

**Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation** Please contact the Parish Office about sacramental preparation, to schedule a Baptism or info on sacrament schedules.

**Become Catholic - OCIA** We welcome you and are here to help answer all those questions from the call that God is inviting you to follow. Contact the Parish Office.

**Marriage** Couples planning to marry need to contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to their anticipated wedding date.

**Anointing of the Sick** Offered first weekend of each month after Masses. Or to schedule a time to be anointed please contact the Parish Office.

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**This Week in the Parish**

Sunday 3/15	Monday 3/16	Tuesday 3/17	Wednesday 3/18	Thursday 3/19	Friday 3/20	Saturday 3/21
<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b> Confession 9:15-9:45 am Mass 10:00 am Scrutinies <b>CLOW</b> Confession 3:15 Mass 4:00 pm	Food Pantry 9-12; 1-3 Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm <b>Creation Care Meeting 6 pm</b> <b>Ministry Center</b>	Food Pantry 9-12; 1-3 Adoration 11am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm <b>St. Vincent de Paul meeting in Ministry Center 5pm</b>	Food Pantry 9-12; 1-3 Choir Practice 6:30-8 pm	Food Pantry 9-12; 1-3 <b>Women's Bible Study 10am MC</b> Adoration 11am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm	Adoration 11am Confession 11:30-11:55 am Mass 12:05 pm <b>Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm in Church</b>	<b>Women's Bible Study Spirituality Group 10:00 am</b> <b>Ministry Ctr.</b> Confession 3:15-3:45 pm Mass 4:00 pm

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**March 22, 2026**  
 1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14  
 2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-11  
 Gospel: John 11:1-45

**Mass Intentions**

Sat. 3/14	4:00 pm	Casper and Rose Harpeneau
Sun. 3/15	10:00 am	Deceased members of the Burek and Supinsky families
	4:00 pm	Ginny Bonenberger
Mon. 3/16	12:05 pm	Miquel and Edith Madriaga
Tues. 3/17	12:05 pm	Bert de Guzman heavenly birthday
Thurs. 3/19	12:05 pm	Jo Balinghasay
Fri. 3/20	12:05 pm	In memory of Carrie Ellen (Spear) Vix
Sat. 3/21	4:00 pm	Erik Chandler
Sun. 3/22	10:00 am	Needs and Intentions of the Parish
	4:00 pm	Ray Bigge
Mon. 3/23	12:05 pm	William T. Collyer
Tues. 3/24	12:05 pm	Carmita Fancisco Birthday
Thurs. 3/26	12:05 pm	Ginny Bonenberger
Fri. 3/27	12:05 pm	Naida Curameng

**MASS INTENTION envelopes in church. Please fill out and drop in the stewardship basket at Mass, or contact Lee Griggs in the parish office 812-425-1577 or lgriggs@evdio.org.**

**Prayer Request**  
 For the family of Linda Hoops, For the family of Gene Thweatt, Charles Asher, Marti Barrett, Gene Warren, Carolyn Skelton, Helen MacDermott, Jaya Dodd, Basia Bazell, Lovella Martin, Chuck and Diane Hirsch, Dan DiLegge, Jean Ann Priestly, Jim Wall, Cap Berg, Paul Walker, Jim Lance.  
**Pray for our loved ones in the Military...**

Connor Day	Staff Sgt. Shaun Nelson
William Russell	Staff Sgt. Nathan Ulrich
Lt. Noah Huelsing	LT Noah Algee
Captain Corey Cannon	Staff Sgt. Andrew Hick (deployed)

**Hello and Welcome to our Parish!**  
**New parishioners**  
 Amy Mullican  
 Jason and Heather Estes  
 Christine Wittmer  
 Maddie Moore

**COLLECTION**

**Fiscal Year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026**  
**Annual Collection Budget \$ 578,060.00**  
**Year to date collection budget \$ 400,212.00**  
**Year to date actual collection \$ 413,500.00**

**March 7-8, 2026 Collection**  
**Weekly Budget \$ 11,117.00**  
**Actual Weekly Collection \$ 13,111.45**  
**ALMS \$ 585.00 SVdP \$ 125.00**

**LET US PRAY...**  
 That we as Christian Stewards are less concerned about our outward appearance and more concerned with our interior conversion of heart.

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS... happy happy birthday!**  
 3/14 Diana Gillespie  
 3/16 Brenda Whetstine, Jackson Willming  
 3/18 Basia Bazell, Andersyn Rivera  
 3/19 Harmonee Baltzell, Carlos Rivera  
 3/20 Layton Ours, Kylee Woebkenberg  
 3/22 Linda Cirillo, DeeDee Clayton  
 3/25 John Breidenbach, Tony Thacker  
 3/27 Ezra Smith  
 3/28 Leighton Milligan  
 3/29 Caeli Bislich  
 3/31 Christine Bessette, Gail Coates, Stephen Seng

**Next Week Ministers for Mass**  
**Sat. March 21; 4:00 pm**  
**Lector** Renata Rafferty EMHC- Sandi Render, Sheryl Lemmer **Server**-Sandi Render **Ushers**- Ken Render  
**Sun. March 22, 10:00 am**  
**Lector**-Bob Stephens EMHC-Rich Burek, Karen Kuhlenhoelter **Ushers**-Joe McConnell  
**Sun. March 22, 4:00 pm**  
**Lector**-Amanda Krause EMHC-Inez Lewis, Brad Simms  
**Ushers**- Ed Goebel

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS...**  
 This week 4 Neighbors needed help with CenterPoint, one with water, and the rest were rent requests. One Neighbor is on the cusp of eviction. We helped her as much as we were able and provided her with some guidance on other agencies who may be able to help. CAPE and Aurora are options, as are the Salvation Army, Catholic Charities and the Township Trustee. Since we actually go into the homes of about half of each week's referrals (we always go in pairs), we may become aware of situations where child or adult abuse is occurring. As a result, we are all going to do some training designed to increase our sensitivity to instances of such abuse, and what to do when we spot it. Additionally, we are very aware of our roles in keeping the good name of St. Vincent de Paul in tact while being in contact with these Neighbors. Thanks for all you do to help us help them.  
 We invite you to join us Tuesdays at 5pm in the Ministry Center Gathering Room for our weekly meeting. We would love to have you be a part of this awesome ministry. For more information call the parish office 812-425-1577 ext. 207



**Stations of the Cross Fridays in Lent @5:30 pm**  
 February 20, 27; March 6, 13, 20 27  
**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**  
 Tues, March 31, 2026 Chrism Mass at St. Ben's 5:30 pm  
 Holy Thursday Mass, April 2; at 7:00 pm  
 Good Friday, April 3, 2026  
 Stations of the Cross @3:00 pm  
 Confession at 2:30 pm  
 Good Friday Service 7:00 pm  
 Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, April 4 at 8:00 pm  
 Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026  
 Masses 7:30 am and 10:00 am  
**NO 4:00 pm Mass on Easter Sunday**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
**Heartfelt Stewardship**  
*"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the Lord looks into the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7*  
 How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our Stewardship of time, talent and treasure here on earth.

**ON THE JOURNEY to becoming Catholic**  
 Pray for our OCIA  
**Catechumens:** Zak Ours and  
**Candidates:** Mark McDaniel, Kim Birkhead, Vasyli Liulka, Tanja Liulka, and Eliza Liulka, Mariah McCrea.

**DIAPER DRIVE UPDATE...** We are thrilled to share that, thanks to your generosity, our **diaper drive** was a huge success this year—we collected over 43,500 diapers! Your support makes a meaningful difference for families in need, and we are so grateful for your participation! Thank you,  
 Right to Life of Southwestern Indiana

**EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS**  
 Remember your loved ones and give thanks for blessings with Easter flower donations that help enhance our worship space with flowers. Easter flower envelopes may be found by the entries of church. Please fill out your envelope print clearly and drop in the collection basket at Mass or return to the parish office by Friday, March 27.

**In Loving Memory...** We remember parishioner Linda Hoops, who died Wednesday, March 11, 2026. Please keep Linda and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

**Two Wildflower Workshops**  
 Tri-State Creation Care will be offering two Wildflower Workshops this Spring. Transform a bit of your yard into a wildflower sanctuary. Native wildflowers offer some badly needed habitat for bees and butterflies as well as a valuable food source for several birds. It is fairly easy to do and is low maintenance. Tri-State CC will provide free seed. All are welcome and there is no cost. Share with your friends.  
**Thursday, March 19th at 6:00 pm** and will be held at the Downtown Evansville Library Browning Rm A.  
**Saturday, March 28, at 9:30 am** St. Anthony Catholic Church 704 N. 1st Ave in old school building

**Join us for our Creation Care monthly meeting 6:00 pm Monday, March 16 in the Ministry Ctr.**  
**CREATION CARE SUGGESTIONS 4 LENT**  
**March 14/15** – Visit/donate to an Eco-cause, ie. Wesselman Nature Center, Sierra Hoosier Chapter