

**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

**COURAGE** is a Catholic organization that offers hope and support for men and women with same-sex attraction who wish to live chaste lives. For more information go to their website; couragerc.org or email Courage@evdio.org

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Second Sunday of Lent  
Sunday, March 16, 2025



**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



Items for the bulletin need to be turned in by 4:00 pm on Tuesdays

**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 - RCIA** 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. To schedule a time for receiving please contact the Parish Office.

A diverse, welcoming and vibrant Catholic community committed to living out the Good News of Jesus Christ through word, sacrament and service.

**This Week in the Parish**

Sunday 3/16	Monday 3/17	Tuesday 3/18	Wednesday 3/19	Thursday 3/20	Friday 3/21	Saturday 3/22
<b>2nd Sunday Lent</b> Confession 9:15 Mass 10:00 am <b>CLOW</b> <b>Coffee and Donuts</b> <b>Women's Bible Study 11:15 am</b> Confession 3:15 Mass 4:00 pm	<b>St. Patrick's Day</b> Food Pantry 9am-12 : 1-3 pm Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30-11:55 am Mass 12:05 pm <b>Creation Care Meeting 6 pm</b>	Food Pantry 9am-12 : 1-3 pm Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30-11:55 am Mass 12:05 pm St.VdP 5:00 pm	Food Pantry 9am-12 : 1-3 pm Choir 6:30-8:00 pm	Food Pantry 9am-12 : 1-3 pm <b>Women's Bible Study 10-11 am</b> Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30-11:55 am Mass 12:05 pm	Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30-11:55 am Mass 12:05 pm <b>Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm</b>	Confession 3:15-3:45 pm Mass 4:00 pm

**Third Sunday of Lent**

First Reading; Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15  
Second Reading; 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12  
Gospel; Luke 13:1-9

**Mass Intentions**

Sat. 3/15	4:00 pm	Needs and Intentions of the Parish
Sun. 3/16	10:00 am	Jack Dills and Family
	4:00 pm	Doris Bush
Mon. 3/17	12:05 pm	Rhonda Elaine Bender
Tues. 3/18	12:05 pm	Jerry Marx
Thurs 3/20	12:05 pm	Ray Bigge
Fri. 3/21	12:05 pm	Cathy Mitchell
Sat. 3/22	4:00 pm	Jerry Bachman
Sun. 3/23	10:00 am	John and Veronica Appuhn
	4:00 pm	For the needs and intentions of the parish
Mon. 3/24	12:05 pm	Mary Freeman
Tues. 3/25	12:05 pm	In Memory of Chris Slade
Thurs. 3/27	12:05 pm	In Memory of Charlotte Warren
Fri. 3/28	12:05 pm	Ray Bigge
Sat. 3/29	4:00 pm	Norbert Neimeier

**MASS INTENTION envelopes in church you can 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**  
Basia Bazell, Dan and Jenny DiLegge, Lois Miller, Cecilia Phillips, John Stephenson, Charlie Jochim, Marti Barrett, Jason McBride, Pat Barnes, Stan Logel, Gladys Layne, Bill O'Nan, Cap Berg, Tara Blessinger, Anne Priestly, OCIA -Bradley Castillo, Paxton Stone, Noelle Bockhorst, Der'rik Hardin, Penny Goshert, Samuel Shaefer, Abraham Palacios.  
**Pray for our loved ones in the Military...**

William Russell  
Lt. Noah Huelsing  
1st. Lt. Corey Cannon

Staff Sgt. Shaun Nelson  
Gunnery Sgt. Nathan Ulrich  
LT Noah Algee

**Hi there! Welcome...** Looking for a parish home? We would love to register you here. Call Lee in the office 812-425-1577  
**We welcome our newest parishioners**  
**Michael and Kathy Dressel**  
**Eyan Childress**

**Weekly Collections**

Mass Time	3/8-9/2025
Saturday 4:00 pm	\$ 2,189.00
Sunday 10:00 am	\$ 1,753.00
4:00 pm	\$ 834.00
Electronic	\$ 690.49
Office Mail in	\$ 2,441.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 3,039.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,946.49</b>

**Alms \$ 50.00 StVdP \$ 316.00**

**Let us Pray...** That we as Christian Stewards invest in our heavenly home as we do in our earthly home.

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

3/16 Brenda Whetstine, Jackson Willming  
3/18 Barbara Bazell, Rachel Domsic, Andersyn Rivera  
3/19 Harmonee Baltzell, Carlos Rivera  
3/20 Kylee Woebkenberg  
3/22 Chajlain Linda Cirillo, Deedee Clayton  
3/25 John Breidenbach  
3/27 Ezra Smith  
3/28 Leighton Milligan  
3/29 Caeli Bislich  
3/31 Christine Bessette, Gail Coates, Stephen Seng  
**Call the Parish Office to let us know if you do not see your name in the monthly birthdays.**

**We celebrate you!**

**Next Week Ministers for Mass**

**Sat. March 22; 4:00 pm**  
**Lector-Dan & Jenny DiLegge**  
**EMHC-Diana Gillepie, Diane Tomas**  
**Server-Carol Stratman**  
**Ushers-Charlie Jochim Ken Render**  
**Sun. March 23; 4:00 pm**  
**Lector-Laurie Ewers EMHC-Laurie Ewers, Kody Johnson**  
**Ushers- Bob Barber**

**Sun. March 23; 10:00 am**  
**Lector-Stan Lindaer**  
**EMHC-Angela Smith, Terri Schaefer**  
**Ushers-Joe McConnell and John Barisano**

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**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS...**

The moratorium on gas and electric winter cut offs expires this month, so we have had a number of requests from Neighbors who need to get caught up with their CenterPoint bills this week. We aren't able to always help enough, but we do try to direct these neighbors to other helpful organizations, such as the Township Trustee, Catholic Charities and the Salvation Army, to name a few. And, as is frequently the case, we are called to help some who are usually able to make ends meet, but an illness or a job loss has left them without financial wiggle room. A women who used to drive a truck was out of work after her vehicle tipped over. And, we spoke with one Neighbor who was in the hospital with the beginning of labor this week. With three other children, we assisted with her rent. The need is always there, and the appreciation we receive makes it all worthwhile. Thanks for being there with us.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Fridays of Lent... March 7, 14, 21, 28 April 4 and 11 Stations of the Cross in church at 5:30 pm. Also on Good Friday at 3 pm



**MASS OF RENEWAL MP3's can be found on the parish website on our Music Ministry page at... [stsmaryandjohnparish/ministries/music-ministries](http://stsmaryandjohnparish/ministries/music-ministries)**

**Take a Virtual Tour of St. Mary Church! Visit our website [stsmaryandjohnparish.org](http://stsmaryandjohnparish.org) and take a virtual tour with information about the areas of church, statues, windows and much more.**

**Also visit our Resource tab on our website for Lent information and activities and much more!**

**Greetings Sts. Mary & John Parishioners,**

Did you know that your parish is a charter member (2003) of Congregations Acting for Justice and Empowerment (CAJE)? CAJE is pleased to support Fr. Eugene's planned "LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR" information forum about housing insecurity in our Evansville area community. As a CAJE Justice Ministry volunteer, I plan to attend to learn about this important issue so I can better live out Our Lord's command to love our neighbors -- right here. Please join me for this event after 10am Mass on March 30, in Rager Hall. ~Jerome Echele, CAJE Co-Chairperson [greater-evansville-caje.org](http://greater-evansville-caje.org) 812-760-3700

Dear Parishioners,

You share in the vocations of all priests through your prayers and support. Now you are invited to join **Fr. Eugene Schmitt** and his classmate and friend, **Fr. Robert Guerra**, in celebrating their **25th Anniversary** of priesthood ordination in a **Mass of Thanksgiving** at St. Wendel Church on **Saturday, May 31st, at 9:30 am** Central Time.

A reception and meal will follow at Wendel Hall. **Please RSVP by Thursday, March 30** if you are attending the Mass and/or meal. Phone or text to one of Fr. Eugene's sisters -- **Judy Fischer** at 812-480-1136 or **Janet Baas** at 812-457-8184 --

**FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION IN LENT**

During the 40 days of Lent we are asking for your help to fill the shelves. The list below are items we will be collecting each week of Lent. We appreciate all you are able to do.

- 40-days of Lent Food Pantry Collection**
- 1st week March 9: Bar soap, toilet paper, toothbrushes, toothpaste, detergent, dish soap
- 2nd week March 16: Spaghetti sauce 24 oz or larger, spaghetti noodles (any kind)
- 3rd week March 23: Peanut butter and Jelly
- 4th week: March 30: Canned fruits and vegetables
- 5th week April 6: Pancake Mix, Syrup, Oatmeal
- 6th week April:13 Soup

Set of 4 small keys found in the parking lot call the parish office 812-425-1577.

**EASTER FLOWER Donations**

Easter flower envelopes may be found by the entry of church. Please return to the parish office by Monday, April 14. .



**Second Sunday of Lent - Grateful Stewardship**

**"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." - GENESIS 15:7**  
Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses, and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a Stewards sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?