

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; couragec.org or email Courage@evdio.org

Wanting to schedule a Wedding at St. Mary Church? Please contact the parish office for more information 812-425-1577



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Immediately report suspected abuse or neglect of a minor (under 18yrs old) to the Department of Child Services (DCS) Toll-free: 800-800-5556. or to local law enforcement 9-1-1
In the event of an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor by diocesan personnel, report the allegation to authorities, and inform the Victims Assistance Coordinator for the diocese. Toll-free: 866-200-3004, local: 812-490-9565. To report allegations of sexual misconduct involving bishops of the United States, or to report their intentional interference in a sexual abuse investigation, contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting service. Toll-free: 800-276-1562, or report online: ReportBishopAbuse.org.



Sts. MARY & JOHN

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 27, 2026



Sts. Mary and John Catholic Parish

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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.

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



begin to heal
email: projectrachel@evdio.org Peace starts here
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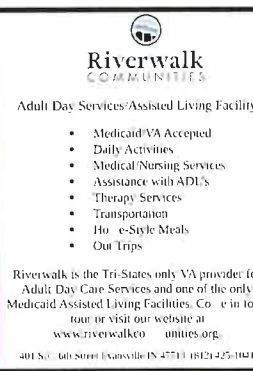


Our parish reaching out...
Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul
Your generosity is helping those in need. Thank you!

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Three Convenient Locations
East: 800 S. Hebron Ave.
Central: 626 First Ave.
North: 6300 First Ave.
Jerry and Daniel Ziemer



This Week in the Parish

Sunday 9/27	Monday 9/28	Tuesday 9/29	Wednesday 9/30	Thursday 10/1	Friday 10/2	Saturday 10/3
Confession 9:15-9:45 am Mass 10:00 am CLOW World Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees Confess 3:15 Mass 4:00 pm	Food Pantry 9-12 and 1-3 Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 am	Food Pantry 9-12 and 1-3 Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm Bible Study 12:45-2:15 pm StVDP 5pm **Watch Party 5:30 pm Rager.	Food Pantry 9-12 and 1-3 Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm Choir 6:30-8pm	Food Pantry 9-12 and 1-3 Women's bible study 10am MC Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm	Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm	Alms Collection Confession 3:15-3:45 pm Mass 4:00 pm Anointing after Mass

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 2026

1st Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7 2nd
Reading: Philippians 4:6-9
Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Mass Intentions

Sat. 9/26 4:00 pm	Sam Fitzsimmons
Sun. 9/27 10:00 am	Alan Groves
	4:00 pm Needs and Intentions of the Parish
Mon. 9/28 12:05 pm	Wilbur Boulet
Tues. 9/29 12:05 pm	Doris Bush
Wed. 9/30 12:05 pm	Chuck Hirsch
Thurs. 10/1 12:05 pm	Rose Weiss
Fri. 10/2 12:05 pm	Ray Bigge
Sat. 10/3 4:00 pm	Wanda and Ray Klueh
Sun. 10/4 10:00 am	Rosalinda Hoops
	4:00 pm Doris Bush
Mon. 10/5 12:05 pm	William T. Collyer
Tues. 10/6 12:05 pm	Mary Lou Wheatley
Wed. 10/7 12:05 pm	Joseph Melcher
Thurs. 10/8 12:05 pm	In Loving Memory of Alan Groves
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.	
 Ron McBride, Keely Griggs, Pat Kersteins, Geri Kempf, Pat Barnes, Donna Laymon, Joe Stagg, Charles Asher, Marti Barrett, Gene Warren, Carolyn Skelton, Jaya Dodd, Basia Bazell, Lovella Martin, Dan DiLegge, Jean Ann Priestly, Jim Wall, Paul Walker, Jim Lance	

Pray for our loved ones in the Military...

Specialist Jay Irwin	Staff Sgt. Shaun Nelson
Connor Day	Staff Sgt. Nathan Ulrich
William Russell	LT Noah Algee
Lt. Noah Huelsing	Staff Sgt. Andrew Hicks (deployed) AF
Captain Corey Cannon	EN2 Coleton Shirk Navy (deployed)

Hello and Welcome to our Parish!

New to the area? Been attending here for some time?
We invite you to become a registered members.
Contact Lee in the parish office 812-425-1577 ext. 207
or email lgriggs@evdio.org.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Fiscal Year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027

Annual Collection Budget \$ 626,921.00
Year to date collection budget \$ 144,684.00
Year to date actual collection \$ 122,877.89

September 19-20, 2026 Collection

Weekly Budget \$ 12,057.00
Actual Weekly Collection \$ 21,272.89

Alms \$.00 StVdP \$ 5,350.00

***Alms collection and Anointing will take place next weekend October 3-4 at all Masses.**

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/30 Birk Fischer, Tina Wells

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/1 Missy Goebel, Renata Rafferty
 10/2 Anthony Deglomine, Daniel Dixon Jr., Carley
 Kelley, Kim Kuehn
 10/3 Debra O'Nan
 10/4 Jacky Schwartz
 10/5 Jason Estes
 10/6 Rhoda Edwards
 10/7 Ian Collignon
 10/8 Brandie Schaefer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Every October the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning to the end of their lives, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect on the dignity of every human life and how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS...

The St Vincent de Paul group worked with 16 families this week. Eleven of them were facing overdue CenterPoint bills. Most of them had disconnect notices due to large balances. We were able to help to some extent, however, most are still trying to figure out what else they can do to avoid a disconnect. Some are seeking help from other non profits which work together through a system called Charity Tracker. Others are looking for work or trying to increase their hours at work. We appreciate the support the parish gives to St. Vincent de Paul. And we are always open to new volunteers joining the group.

St. Vincent de Paul meetings are every Tuesday at 5:00pm on the first floor of the Ministry Center.



Over \$50,000 Raised for SVDP FOOD PANTRY!

Thanks to the Catholic Community and others who made this possible.



"Heavenly Father, You are the giver of every good gift, and all that we have comes from Your infinite love.

We thank You today for these supporters of SVDP Food Pantry and for the generous gifts they have shared.

Bless them, Lord, for their kindness and open heartedness.

Pour out Your grace upon them, fill their home and life with Your peace, and multiply their blessings a hundredfold.

May You reward their generosity with Your loving presence and keep them always in Your holy care.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."



ST. MARY AND JOHN PARISH PRESENTS

Spaghetti Dinner FUNDRAISER

It's time to eat pasta with a purpose! Help us raise funds for the Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul! Enjoy homemade spaghetti plates available for dine-in or takeout in Rager Hall.



Dinner Details

WHEN: Monday, October 26, 2026
serving from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Come anytime

WHERE: St. Mary Church Rager Hall

TICKET COST: \$20 per ticket

Call the Parish Office for tickets 812-425-1577

Dinner includes: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert, and a Beverage.

Also: There will be a Beer and Wine Cash Bar!



A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped with the parish picnic in any way.
Thank you for all you do!

SEASON OF CREATION "WATCH PARTY"

Come join others in celebrating the SEASON OF CREATION and enjoy food prepared by Dan DiLegge! Also, enjoy hearing from nationally acclaimed speaker, Bill McKibben as he shares with us about caring for God's Gift of Creation. This event will be in Rager Hall from 5:30-7:30 pm Call Jenny DiLegge by Sunday afternoon to register; 812-306-4512. All are welcome!

Friday Knights Hunger Bowl is not only making a big difference it's making headlines. The story was released this past Monday and can be found on the National Catholic Register website.
<https://www.ncregister.com/news/indiana-high-school-hunger-bowl>
Read how a Catholic high school football rivalry between Mater Dei and Memorial in Indiana is helping to tackle hunger...

112th Observance of World Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees is this Sunday, September 27, 2026. The world theme for this day is "Even just one of these children." *"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me."* Mt. 18:5.

The theme chosen by Pope Leo XIV, focuses on children and teenagers who are directly impacted by migration, displacement, and flight.

26th Sunday - Humble Stewards

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves..." Philipians 2:3
Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe that in stewardship everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make you angry.