

April 22, 2018
4th Sunday of Easter

ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"Serving the People of God
Spiritually and Physically since 1848"*

1101 S. LAFAYETTE, FT. WAYNE, IN 46802

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Mass Schedule

Sunday - 10:45 am

Holy Day - 5:15 pm

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Dottie Carpenter (260) 705-1690
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Jennifer Hayes (260) 450-2193

Sacraments

Matrimony

Arrangements are to be made with priest at least 6 months in advance. Pre-marriage instruction required.

Sick and Communion Call

Please keep the Church Office informed of the sick and homebound, particularly when there is serious illness.

Baptism

For details please call the Church Office. Baptismal Preparation is required for parents.

Reconciliation

Sunday: 10:00am-10:30am OR
Anytime by appointment.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Call Parish Office for information.

Parish Pastoral Council

Nov, Jan, Mar, May, 1st Sunday, after Mass

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 pm

Call or email submissions.

Parish Mission Statement

"Believing in faith in action, St. Mary Mother of God Catholic Church strives to reach out to others through the joyful celebration of Word and Sacrament, embracing diversity, and working for peace, justice, and non-violence."

Parish Membership Welcome

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether visitors, long time residents, or newly arrived in the parish. *We thank God for you.* If you wish to register, please call the parish office, pick up a registration form in the pew, or complete below and place in collection basket.

Name _____ Phone No _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Check one:

New Parishioner New Address New Phone Number Moving, remove from list

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There is a phrase that has become popular if not overused in the business world today. It is "thinking outside the box." What this means is to be more creative, to do away with traditional thinking. It is most often used in the world of advertising, where companies attempt to come up with new and innovative ways to get consumers to notice them. Unfortunately, this type of thinking all too often leads to being outside the boundaries of good taste, as well. Like a shepherd's fence, perhaps the box was created for a very good reason to begin with!

Today's Gospel reading from John relates Jesus' narrative of being the Good Shepherd. He states adamantly that he will lay down his life for his flock, but he also says he will think outside of the box when he says: "I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one

shepherd." The Good Shepherd fights for our very lives against the evils of the world, so much so that he sacrificed himself so that we might be saved. It is the least we can do to call others who have strayed from the shepherd's flock.

A traditional shepherd keeps his flock close to him, builds a fence to keep them safe. Should one stray, he uses his crook to bring it home. The Good Shepherd provides us with the sacrament of penance, our way of returning to the flock. The priest is the sign and instrument of God's merciful love and forgiveness for our straying (CCC 1465). On this Fourth Sunday of Easter, we would do well to listen to the Good Shepherd, who invites us to return the flock.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*The stone rejected by the builders
has become the cornerstone.*

**Sunday, April 22**

Sacristan: Sue Koester

Commentator/Petitions: Rena Zirille

Servers: Aric Koenig, John Peterson, Nathan Johnson

First Reading: Greg Gemperline

Second Reading: Rosemary Mausser

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sue Koester, Maxine Stovall, Maureen McCon, Barb Chmiel,

Ken Yahne, Louise Yahne, Pat McBride, Andrea Thomas

Ushers: Liz Peterson, Andy Johnson, Katrina Johnson, Megan Horrell

Greeters: James and Karstan Ball

Sunday, April 29

Sacristan: Chuck Luther

Commentator/Petitions: Dottie Carpenter

Servers: Tommy O'Neil, Lauren O'Neill, Tony O'Neil

First Reading: Patrick Mitoraj

Second Reading: John Barnett

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Chuck Luther, Eugenia Barnett, Rosemary Mausser, Alex Andorfer, Jenifer Hayes, Jane Wick, Celeste Streicher, Joanne Miller

Ushers: Alex Andorfer, Val Vorndran, Kevin Doyle, Antonio Salazar

Greeters: Judy and Katy Parrott

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Please go to www.stmarysfw.org and take a look for information about upcoming events. Information for the website can be e-mailed to Sue Koester at skoester@stmarysfw.org OR call the parish office at 424-8231.

HEARING DEVICES AVAILABLE IN SACRISTY

St. Mary Mother of God parish has acquired four hearing devices for your use during Mass. You may use the sign up sheet on the counter in the Sacristy to sign a device in and out at the end of Mass.

*"to everything there is a season and a time for every purpose
under heaven"*

"a time to be born..."

"a time to love..."

"a time to be healed..."

"a time to die"

"and a time for peace"

*and in our world, all people, both military and civilian who are
in the midst of war, or natural disasters.*

Ecclesiastes 3:1f



"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn 10:14-15
Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Readings for the Week of April 22, 2018

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [117:1a]/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 [2]/Mk 16:15-20

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11 ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8



Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 22

10:45 am *Kay Horacek*

Sunday, April 29

10:45 am **For the People of St. Mary Mother of God**



Altar of Service

Saint Mary's Soup Kitchen

Please mark your grocery lists for our Soup Kitchen. This week we are asking for...INSTANT POTATOES.

Soup Kitchen Weekend volunteers

Saturday 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Sunday 11:30 –1:00 pm

Sunday, April 22: Liz & John Peterson, Nate Fellman

Saturday, April 28: St. Johns Lake Township

Sunday, April 29: Nina Gery

Thank you for volunteering at the Soup Kitchen. Please call me if you are unable to make your scheduled day.
Val Vordran 625-5757 or 450-5170

AVE MARIA HOUSE PANTRY NEEDS:

Small Paper Plates—Please No Styrofoam

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Do you feel a calling to minister to our shut-ins? Please call the church office at 424-8231 or Sue Koester at 493-4282 for more information, or if you know of a parishioner who may be homebound and in need of communion brought to them.



The Week Ahead

Sunday, April 22

- *Mary's Kids* 9:15 am

Sunday, April 29

- *Mary's Kids* 9:15 am
- Second Collection is for Catholic Home Missions

HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE SENIORS

If you are graduating High School or College this SPRING or SUMMER St. Mary Mother of God Parish would like to recognize your achievement in the bulletin. Please e-mail or call the bulletin office (424-8231) with your name.

HOLY HOUR

The Little Flower Holy Hour to pray for vocations will be Tuesday, May 1, from 7-8 p.m. in the St. Mother Theodore Guerin Chapel, 1122 S Clinton St. Deacon Thomas Zehr will be the presider.

PAPERBACK BOOKS FOR JAIL MINISTRY

The Jail Ministry is in need of paperback books. Novels, western and religious themes preferred. Please bring to gathering space and place in marked box. Thank you for your help. !!!

Parish Announcements

CATHEDRAL MUSEUM EXHIBIT

Now through June 2018, five **VESSELS OF VENERATION** will be on exhibit at the Cathedral Museum located at the Archbishop Noll Center 915 S Clinton Street. Hours are 10am-2pm Tuesday through Friday. Free parking is available in the attached parking garage. These vessels include the 4 oldest Monstrances in the city (Cathedral, St. Mary Mother of God, St. Peter's and St. Patrick's) and the large Monstrance from McDougal Chapel. This is your chance to view these vessels up close.

Sacred Music Unveiled

A Three Part Event at St. Charles Borromeo Parish
Join a choir of young adults from Toledo and Fort Wayne, ages 18-24, as they share the joy and beauty of sacred music in liturgy and concert. From the beloved hymn, *Abide With Me*, to the haunting *Salve Regina* chant, this concert will fill the church with the music of the Faith that has echoed down through the centuries. All are welcome! Free and open to the public.

Part I: The Mass

Saturday, May 5th @ 5:00pm

St. Charles Parish – 4916 Trier Road Fort Wayne, IN 46815

Part II: The Concert

Immediately following the 5pm Mass

Part III: The Seminar

Immediately following the concert

For more information, please visit

www.stcharlesfortwayne.org

DIOCESAN JOB OPENING

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend is seeking a candidate for a full-time Diocesan Parish Auditor. This position is responsible for the examination and analysis of parish accounting records to prepare audit reports for the diocese concerning: financial status of diocesan parishes, and a review of parish accounting operating procedures to ensure compliance with established diocesan accounting practices. A bachelor's degree in finance, accounting, business administration or related field is required. Four to six years of accounting/audit experience is preferred. Qualified candidates should send a cover letter, resume, and diocesan application to The Archbishop Noll Catholic Center at 915 South Clinton St., Fort Wayne, IN 46802 Attn: Jonathan Harber. Diocesan applications can be found by visiting the diocesan webpage at www.diocesefwsb.org/Current-Job-Postings.

BISHOP LUERS HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS

- The Bishop Luers High School Drama Department will present "**The Sound of Music**" on April 27-28 at 7:30 p.m. and April 29 at 2 p.m. in the school gymnasium. Tickets are \$10 per person. For tickets, contact Cindy Griffith at cgriffith@bishopluers.org or call 260-456-1261, Ext. 3133.
- Bishop Luers High School will host **Run With the Knights** on Saturday, May 12, at 9 a.m. at Foster Park. The 10K/5K Run, Walk is hosted by the Alumni Department. Cost is \$20 per person. Sign up at bishopluers.org by clicking on "Run With the Knights" in the "Alumni" tab. Register by May 2 to be guaranteed a T-shirt. For additional information contact Tess Steffen at 260-456-1261, Ext. 3039.