

APRIL 29, 2018  
5th 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

FATHER PHILLIP A. WIDMANN, *Pastor*

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Mass Schedule

Sunday - 10:45 am

Holy Day - 5:15 pm

## Parish Office

1101 S. Lafayette • Ft. Wayne, IN 46802  
**Hours** ..... Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am-4:00 pm  
Fri. 8:30 am-2:00 pm  
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## Parish Staff

**Pastoral Associate & SVDP**  
Anthony Henry ..... (260) 424-8231  
**Sacramental Coordinator**  
Mary Kay Matasky ..... (260) 424-8231  
**Music Director**  
Greg Childs ..... (260) 466-8770  
**Mary's Kids Director**  
Therese Spencer ..... (260) 747-4242  
**Liturgical Environment**  
Chuck Luther ..... (260) 424-8231  
**Bulletin Editor**  
Jan Kortenber ..... (260) 424-8231

## Office & Hall Manager

Sue Koester ..... (260) 424-8231

## Business Manager

Julie Crouch ..... (260) 424-8231

## Receptionist

Karen Grashoff ..... (260) 424-8231

## Nursery Director

Judy Parrott ..... (260) 420-1929

## Wedding Coordinator

Rebecca Silkworth ..... (260) 223-7018

## Building Operations/SK Deliveries

Tom Freehill ..... (260) 424-8231

## St. Mary's Soup Kitchen Director

Diane Day ..... (260) 426-1217

## Soup Kitchen Volunteer Coordinator

Dee Kumfer ..... (260) 422-4968

## Ave Maria House

Dottie Carpenter ..... (260) 424-3355

## Prayer Line

Dottie Carpenter ..... (260) 705-1690

## Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council

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

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

For many non-churchgoers, Easter ended weeks ago. But the Easter season remains with us throughout the weeks until we celebrate the birthday of the church at Pentecost. We have an opportunity for Easter reflection and celebration for several Sundays, so if you feel Easter passed you by, fear not.

Jesus tells us in John's Gospel this Sunday that he is the vine and we are the branches. We gain nourishment from the vine, and by staying firm and strong, we bear much fruit. Whereas Lent was a time of preparation for the Easter mysteries, this season of Easter is a time to offer the spiritual fruits resulting from our prayer, fasting, and penance. Of course, the nourishment that sustained us in Lent continues into Easter and throughout the year.

Don't give up on Easter too soon. Stay connected to the vine and all the other branches that grow from it. They are fellow Christians trying to testify to the kingdom

of God by their lives. Allow yourself to get caught up in the celebration of the risen Lord. Be nourished and grow into the wonderful creation God has made.

This weekend, we will be taking up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Nearly half of our country is considered home mission territory. This appeal helps our neighbors here in the United States who do not have access to basic pastoral services like Mass, the sacraments, and religious education. Through your support, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal helps these mission dioceses form vibrant faith communities and strengthens the Church at home. Please be generous.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*I will praise you Lord,  
in the assembly of your people.*

#### 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

#### Sunday, May 6

**Sacristan:** Susan Berghoff

**Commentator/Petitions:** Mary's Kids

**Servers:** Mary's Kids

**First Reading:** Mary's Kids

**Second Reading:** Mary's Kids

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Susan Berghoff, Andre Thomas, Dottie Carpenter,  
Peggy Neidhart, Judy Wagoner, John Barnett, Eugenia Barnett,  
Angela Greven

**Ushers:** Mary's Kids

**Greeters:** Mary's Kids

**ELECTRONIC GIVING PROGRAM** - St. Mary Mother of God Church offers this safe and convenient option for you to contribute your Sunday offerings to the Church automatically through your checking or savings account. To obtain the necessary form, please contact Julie Crouch at the Parish Office (jcrouch@stmarysfw.org, or 260-424-8231). You may also go to [www.stmarysfw.org](http://www.stmarysfw.org), click the "Donate" link, and complete the Authorization Agreement for Direct Payment form. Mail or put the form in the Collection Basket. Thank you!



*"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..."*

*Please pray for the sick of our Parish*

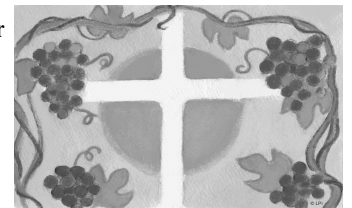
*"a time to die"*

*"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 true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." - Jn 15:1-2



### Readings for the Week of April 29, 2018

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

**Monday:** Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 [1ab]/Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a

St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26--2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/  
Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf. 17b]/Mt 13:54-58

**Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14

**Friday:** Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17

**Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

**Next Sunday:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17



## Mass Intentions

**Sunday, April 29**

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

**Sunday, May 6**

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



## Altar of Service

### Saint Mary's Soup Kitchen

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

#### Soup Kitchen Weekend volunteers

Saturday 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Sunday 11:30 -1:00 pm

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: Sugar

#### 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 29**

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

**Sunday, May 6**

- *Mary's Kids*—Children's Mass/May Crowning  
Last session of *Mary's Kids* until fall
- Come early and recite the *Rosary for Mary* in May beginning at 10:20 am. Lead by Christina Myles.
- **Parish Council Meeting after Mass on May 6.**  
**All are welcome.**

#### PAPERBACK BOOKS NEEDED 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. !!!

#### INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

**MAY**—Evangelization—The Mission of the Laity

—That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

## Parish Announcements

### ADDITIONAL EASTER FLOWER CONTRIBUTORS

*We apologize for any previous omissions.*

#### CONTRIBUTOR:

#### IN MEMORY OF :

Stan & Judy Jay	Joan Gospodareck, Virginia Jay
Bill & Becky Silkworth	Christina Johnson, Chad Day, Travis Brake
Helen Espinosa	Maria Flores (Mother)
Robert & Helen Runge	Roxanne Maria Runge, Diane Linnea Runge DVM
Irvin & Susan Arnold	Jim & Marie Reynolds, Marion & Doris Arnold
Anonymous	Jean Hahn
Walter R. Gospodareck	Joan Gospodareck
Elaine Martin	Wayne & Evelyn Martin, Margo (Martin) O'Malley
Jo-Anne & Bob Yurosko	The deceased of the Moniak & Yurosko Families
Cesar/Kathlee Salazar-Ruiz	Undesignated

#### 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](http://www.diocesefwsb.org/Current-Job-Postings).

### 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 5<sup>th</sup> @ 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](http://www.stcharlesfortwayne.org)**