

November 11, 2018
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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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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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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In 1 Samuel, God advises the prophet Samuel not to observe as men see but as God sees. He tells him to "look to the heart." This is the movement of this Sunday's Gospel reading. "Beware the scribes," Jesus advises. He points out their public greetings and "seats of honor," which stands in sharp contrast to their private greed. For the Jewish people of Jesus' day, honor resides at the top. Power and prestige created a high profile back then as it still does today. After his warning, Jesus turns his disciples' attention elsewhere: a poor widow.

"She, from her poverty, has contributed all she had." While the scribes donated large sums to the temple, they did so "from their surplus wealth." This woman -- in her faith and devotion -- offers "her whole livelihood." Jesus invited his disciples to see with God's eyes, to recognize a holy life in people the world overlooks. Here -- in the poor, the vulnerable, the marginalized -- God waits hidden.

Today's Gospel begs a few questions. What do we

see? Whom do we value? Are we impressed by the pomp and circumstance of modern day Pharisees? Do we ignore their self-righteousness because it looks impressive, even seems somewhat helpful? The point isn't to judge the scribes, of course. God can see their hearts as well, and those assessments are firmly his responsibility. The point is to turn our eyes from the typically honored to the rarely respected. Are we disinterested in the poverty of the modern day widows? Do we ignore their faith because we forget to look for it? This Sunday, consider the widows in your own life. Who can you see with God's eyes?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord, my soul.

CONGRATULATIONS

Today at 12:00 Father David Meinzen will celebrate the Baptism of Sophie Belle Osterman
Daughter of parishioners Paige and John Osterman



Sunday, November 11

Sacristan: Chuck Luther

Commentator/Petitions: Tom Rumschlag

Servers: Katy Parrott, Noah Johnson, John Peterson

First Reading: Carmen Doyle

Second Reading: Maxine Stovall

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Chuck Luther, Pat McBride, Jane Wick, Rosemary Mausser, Ken Yahne, Louise Yahne, Peggy Neidhart, Kathleen Smith

Ushers: Dennis Doyle, Liz Peterson, Kera Parrott, Julie Huth,

Greeters: Christy & Malachi Johnson

Coffee & Donuts: Ave Maria Chili Cook-Off

Sunday, November 18

Sacristan: Sue Koester,

Commentator/Petitions: Dottie Carpenter

Servers: Nicole Obioma, Michele Obioma, Michael Obioma

First Reading: Joe Miller

Second Reading: Andrea Thomas

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sue Koester, Joanne Miller, Maureen McCon, John Barnett, Eugenia Barnett, Celeste Streicher, Pat McBride

Ushers: Antonio Salazar, Christine Myles, Jasmin Myles Greg Gempferline

Greeters: Judy and Katy Parrott

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 (jrcrouch@stmarysfw.org, or 260-424-8231). You may also go to 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..."

Therese Spencer, Don Ferguson, Jim Horrell

"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



A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mark 12: 42-43

Readings for the Week of November 11, 2018

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/
Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29 [39a]/
Lk 17:7-1
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 [1]/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [5a]/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18 [1b]/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14,
18/Mk 13:24-32



Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 11

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

Sunday, November 18

10:45 am Doris VanMeter



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

Sunday, November 11: Shanebrooks, Brice Hahn, Andy, Bianna, Benjamin P. & Chelsea Sheer.

Saturday, November 17: Jim Schmidt, Cindy & Hadley, Steve Minick, Christ Church @ Georgetown

Sunday, November 18: Fairmanns, Chelsea S.

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

Laundry Soap

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, November 11

- Mary's Kids 9:15 am
- Second Collection is for St. Vincent de Paul

Sunday, November 18

- Mary's Kids 9:15 am
- Second collection is for :
The Catholic Campaign for Human Development
- RCIA Meets at 11:30 am. Topic is "Church"

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS BOX SIGN-UP

St. Mary's Christmas Box sign-up days will be:

Saturday, November 17 from 10am-12Noon

Saturday, November 24 from 10am-11:00am

If you are able to help register people, please call Karen Berrgoetz at 260-705-5225

Parish Announcements

BISHOP'S APPEAL UPDATE

This week I will make an effort to include my complete phone number in the bulletin in case you want to call me and make a pledge over the phone! There are still lots of pledge cards and pens next to the ballot boxes, so grab a pledge card and fill it out as you are sampling chili at the Ave Maria House chili fundraiser! I still have way too many empty pledge cards (which means a lot of follow-up letters and phone calls), so help me out here! Thanks. Questions: you can reach me at any time at (260) 484-1889 Ken Yahne

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at: www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

GATEWAY TO HOPE

A Church and Mental Health Training Event

The Lutheran Foundation and the University of Saint Francis present the Gateway to Hope mental health series. This two-part event offers strategic solutions and expert resources to assist the local church, other helping professions and concerned individuals in providing support and compassionate assistance for people living with mental health challenges. The Empower Training teaches how to identify mental illness, devise appropriate responses and quickly connect someone in distress with professional care. The Transform training shows how to build and sustain supportive groups within the faith community for individuals with mental illness and their families.

Date: November 13 from 10am—Noon.

Cost: Empower training: FREE. Transform training: \$20.
<https://thelutheranfoundation.org/events/gateway-to-hope/>

Address

USF Robert Goldstine Performing Arts Center
431 W. Berry St. Fort Wayne Indiana, 46802

Contact: Dennis Goff (260) 458-2112

dennis@thelutheranfoundation.org

Cost: Free

FORT WAYNE CITY OF CHURCHES TOUR

Referred to often as a "city of churches," Fort Wayne boasts some amazing examples of religious architecture. Some of our best and brightest local architects designed houses of worship all across the city and they deserve our notice. Like many other historic buildings in Fort Wayne or other communities, historic churches face their own unique set of challenges. They are often large buildings that require a lot of maintenance and aging or shrinking congregations find it difficult to keep up with the building's demands. There is hope that there will be a desire to preserve them for future generations. **Date: December 7, from 6-10 p.m.**

For more information on the tour:

www.facebook.com/citychurches

www.instagram.com/fwchurches