

SECOND SUNDAY OF  
**LENT**



March 17, 2019  
Second Sunday of Lent

# 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

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**Hours** ..... Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am-4:00 pm  
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## Parish Staff

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

### Soup Kitchen Volunteer Coordinator

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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

**2nd Sunday of Lent**

As we march through Lent, it can be easy to think it's all about sacrifice. No chocolate, no alcohol, no meat on Fridays. Yet here, only in the second week of Lent, we have the story of the transfiguration. This reading reminds us of the "why" behind what we do. We don't fast from dessert to lose weight. We don't donate money or serve others because it's merely a nice thing to do. Lent is about transformation!

Peter, James, and John trudged up the mountainside behind Jesus. This must have been a difficult hike, because when they reached the top, "Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep." Despite our best efforts, perhaps we, too, can be asleep to the deeper meaning of the Lenten season. Jesus is transfigured while they slumber, but eventually they become "fully awake, [and] they saw his glory and the two men standing with him."

This is no small thing! The disciples witness Jesus in his divine splendor and see the miraculous apparitions of Moses and Elijah. The entire mountain becomes a spiritual

breakthrough. "A cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud." These symbols are present in the Old Testament. They are present on Mount Sinai when Moses prayed alone and received the 10 Commandments. Elijah had a similar experience when he prayed alone before God. But here are ordinary men, former fishermen, who have been drawn up into an adventure beyond their wildest expectations. Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah, the fulfillment of all that came before. But Christianity is not the religion of the elite, where only the select few are allowed to participate. We are all invited into spiritual transformation. Lent is a privileged time for this!

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*The Lord is my light and my salvation.*

**ADULT CONFIRMATION**

Any person high school age, or any adult who has not received the sacrament of confirmation and who would like to receive it this year, please call the church office at 424-8231.

**Sunday, March 17**

**Sacristan:** Sue Jehl

**Commentator/Petitions:** Rena Zirille

**Servers:** Nicole Obioma, Michele Obioma, Michael Obioma

**First Reading:** Greg Gemperline

**Second Reading:** Andrea Thomas

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Sue Jehl, Kate Brogan, Melinda Reyes, Maxine Stovall, Maureen McCon, Judy Wagoner, Rosemary Mausser, Louise Yahne

**Ushers:** Julie Huth, Jim Huth, Antonio Salazar, Ken Yahne

**Greeters:** Becky & Frannie Silkworth

**Sunday, March 24**

**Sacristan:** Chuck Luther

**Commentator/Petitions:** Carmen Doyle

**Servers:** Tommy O'Neil, Lauren O'Neil, Carl O'Neil

**First Reading:** Metrice Smith

**Second Reading:** Maxine Stovall

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Chuck Luther, John Barnett, Jane Wick, Dottie Carpenter, Maureen McCon, Ken Yahne, Louise Yahne, Therese Spencer

**Ushers:** Liz Peterson, John Peterson, Greg Gemperline, Megan Horrell

**Greeters:** Christine & Jasmin Myles

**ATTENTION RECEIVERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

This past week, all parishes in the Diocese received word from Bishop Rhoades' Office at the Chancery concerning the ever increasing problem of celiac sufferers and gluten. The bottom line is that NO ONE should ever be prevented from receiving Holy Communion because they have this problem. Please be aware that your parish of Saint Mary's will make every effort to accommodate you if you cannot tolerate gluten, but you must first inform us of that necessity. If this applies to you, please let Fr. Phil know.



## Liturgical Roles

*"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..."*

*Pray for the sick of our parish*

*Marjorie Gunkler*

*"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*



While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." - Lk 9:34-

**Readings for the week of March 17, 2019**

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14[1a]/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9



## Mass Intentions

**Sunday, March 17**

10:45 am *Don Ferguson*

**Sunday, March 25**

10:45 am *Larry Endress*



## 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

Saturday, March 16 Christ Church @Georgetown, St. Johns Lutheran

Sunday, March 17: Andy & Terry Stow, Tripps

Saturday, March 23: Portage Middle school

Sunday, March 24: Shanebrooks

Saturday, March 30: Jim Schmidt

Sunday, March 31: John's Friends

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:

### Creamer and 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, March 17**

- *Mary's Kids* 9:15 am
- A Walk with God: Lenten Journey 9:15-10:15  
(A reflection on the Sunday readings in the weekly calendar for Lent)

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#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

*Mary's Kids* will be presenting the Stations of the Cross on **March 24 BEFORE MASS AT 10:00 AM.** Please join us!

#### TRIVIA NIGHT! SAVE THE DATE

St. Mary Mother of God Parish will have its first Trivia Night Saturday, April 27, 7-9 pm. Tickets will be sold before and after Mass, March 31, Apr. 7, & Apr. 14.

Questions? Contact the Silkworths at [bbsilk@yahoo.com](mailto:bbsilk@yahoo.com).

## Parish Announcements

### YOU ARE INVITED TO VISIT OUR NEW DIOCESAN MUSEUM

As many of you know, as a priest, I have been assigned two roles by our Bishop. First and foremost, I serve as your pastor and that comes first! Secondly, for the past 40 years I have served as the Director of our former CATHEDRAL MUSEUM and that appointment continues with the directorship of our new DIOCESAN MUSEUM at its new and expanded location. The "new" DIOCESAN MUSEUM opened to the public last week – if you have visited the Museum previously at its former locations, we now have many more exciting artifacts that might be of interest to you. Our DIOCESAN MUSEUM is now located in the former Diocesan Chancery Office Building at the northwest corner of South Calhoun & Jefferson Sts. (the building just to the north of our Cathedral Church. We are open Tuesday through Saturday from 10am until 2pm. There is FREE ADMISSION as well as FREE PARKING in any of the adjacent CATHEDRAL PARKING LOTS. We are CLOSED ALL HOLIDAYS! Hope to see you there some time!

#### LENTEN REGULATIONS\*

#### REGARDING FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics fourteen years of age and older on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent including Good Friday. This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products, or condiments of any kind, even though they may be made from animal fat. Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day. Catholics who are eighteen years of age but not yet fifty-nine years of age are obliged to fast on both Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary in order to maintain strength. However, the two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal. Likewise, eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted.

#### DIOCESAN TEACHER RECRUITMENT FAIR

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend invites you to attend a Teacher Recruitment Fair in Fort Wayne at the Archbishop Noll Catholic Center, 915 S. Clinton St., on Tuesday, April 30, from 5-8 p.m. The diocese has 39 elementary schools and 4 high schools in the northeast corner of Indiana. Come interview with Catholic school principals at the fair. Twenty-minute interview slots are available for the schools that will be present. Website: <http://www.diocesefwsb.org/Teacher-Recruitment->

#### Annual Spring Sale!

20% off your entire purchase!

Monday, March 18-Saturday, March 23

Shop ahead for all the spring events like, First Communion, Confirmation, RCIA & Easter!

Free parking in our garage! Call 399-1442 for more info

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(formerly Cathedral Bookstore)

Located in the Archbishop Noll Center