



St. Mary of the Annunciation Catholic Church

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day.” - Lk 24:46

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St. Mary of the Annunciation Catholic Church Mission Statement:

Saint Mary of the Annunciation Catholic Church is a community of faith united in the Eucharist and committed to spreading the joy of the Gospel through authentic discipleship.

St. Mary of the Annunciation Catholic Church Mass Schedule
Saturday 4:30pm Sunday 7:00am & 10:00am

Monday Mass at 7:00pm Tuesday Mass at 6:00pm
Wednesday Mass at 7:30am Thursday Mass at 6:00pm
Friday Mass at 7:30am

Adoration: Monday at 6:00pm

Anointing of the Sick:

If facing surgery, dealing with a chronic illness, serious accident or nearing the end of life, notify the parish office for the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Confessions:

Monday Confessions 6:00-6:50pm
 Tuesday & Thursday Confessions 5:30-5:50pm
 First Friday Confessions 7:00-7:20am
 Saturday Confessions 4:00-4:20pm
 Sunday Confessions 6:30-6:50am & 9:30-9:50am

Sacrament of Baptism:

The Church teaches us that parents are the primary educators in the faith of their children. All parents scheduling a baptism are encouraged to attend Fr. Luke's Baptism class before their child is to be baptized. Call the parish office for information on the class and to schedule your child's baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage:

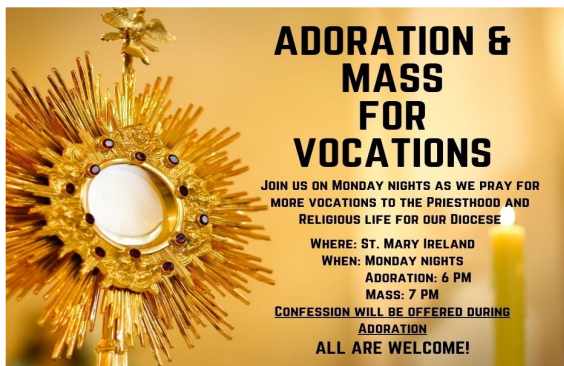
Registered parishioners who wish to be married at St. Mary Church are asked to contact the parish office no later than six months prior to their wedding date. This will provide time for prayer, preparation and paperwork.

Diaconate Ordination

Bishop Siegel has formally called 4 of our seminarians to the order of deacon. We are grateful to our Lord for calling these good men to serve the Church, and we rejoice with the families and parish communities of these men who will serve our people very soon.

- Nick Bieber - Annunciation, Evansville
- Keith Hart - St. Peter Montgomery
- Aron Herrenbruck - St. Clement, Boonville
- Clint Johnson - Holy Cross, Fort Branch

Their ordination will be Saturday, April 20, at St. Benedict Cathedral, at 10:00am CST. Please join this celebratory event in the life of our local Church!



Mass Intentions

Private Confessions 4:00-4:20pm
Sat-April 13 4:30pm Members of St. Mary Parish
 Private Confessions 6:30-6:50am
Sun-April 14 7:00am † Othmar & Liz Schmitt Family
 Private Confessions 9:30-9:50am
 10:00am † Arnie & Cyrilla Heim Family

Adoration beginning at 6:00pm - Private Confessions 6:00-6:50pm
Mon-April 15 7:00pm Vocations

Private Confessions 5:30-5:50pm
Tues-April 16 6:00pm † Elfrieda Hedinger

Wed-April 17 7:30am † Judy Schmitt

Private Confessions 5:30-5:50pm
Thurs-April 18 6:00pm † Syl & LaVerne Rasche

Fri-April 19 7:30am † Ron Stenftenagel

Private Confessions 4:00-4:20pm
Sat-April 20 4:30pm Ken & Marilyn Schnaus
 50th Wedding Anniversary

Private Confessions 6:30-6:50am
Sun-April 21 7:00am Members of St. Mary Parish
 Private Confessions 9:30-9:50am
 10:00am † Oscar, Leona, and Robert Gehlhausen

Join our Catholic brotherhood of sacrifice, learning, prayer and fraternity for guys ages 13 -18 and their dads, 6:00pm-8:30pm. DuCo Savio is **April 28**. Join Fr. Luke for fun, food and prayer in the basement of the Social Hall.



St. Mary Church and the Diocese of Evansville has made your giving to St. Mary a little easier.



Scan the QR code or donate using the following steps:

Step one: Go to evdio.org. Click on "Donate Now"
 Step two: Go to "Sunday Offertory For Parishes" "Give Now"
 Step three: A new window will pop up where you choose

1. Your parish (St. Mary Parish|Ireland, IN)
2. Gift amount - Gift frequency - Start date - Continue
3. Enter email - Create an account for a recurring gift
4. Payment information - Payment type - bank or credit card

Enter your credit card or banking information and submit your gift. The diocese will send your donation to St Mary Parish. Thanks to those who are using this method of giving - this is a free service from the diocese for our parish. St. Mary also offers ACH through the area financial institutions. Giving is any of these ways saves the parish money on monthly envelopes and postage.

American Red Cross Blood Drive - Thursday, April 25 - 2:00-6:00pm - St. Mary Community Center

Ask Fr. Pastory
What is the Easter Season?

Easter is the most important liturgical time for Catholics. It celebrates Jesus's victory of sin and death and salvation for mankind. It is God's greatest act of love to redeem mankind. Many people think that Christmas is the most important day in the Catholic liturgical calendar, but from the earliest days of the Church, Easter has been considered the central Christian feast.

The Easter season is fifty days from the *Sunday of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ to Pentecost Sunday*. The first eight days of the Easter season make up the *Octave of Easter* and are celebrated as solemnities of the Lord. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. In a sense, every day of Octave is like a little Sunday. During the Easter season the Paschal Candle, a symbol of the presence of the Risen Christ among the people of God, remains in the sanctuary near the Altar or Ambo until Pentecost Sunday.

An overview of the liturgical season known as Easter which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence.

What Is Easter Duty?

Most Catholics today receive Holy Communion each time they go to Mass, but that wasn't always the case. In fact, for a variety of reasons, many Catholics in the past very rarely received the Eucharist. Therefore, the Catholic Church made it a requirement for all Catholics to receive Communion at least once per year, during the Easter season. The Church also urges the faithful to receive the Sacrament of Confession in preparation for that Easter Communion, though you're only required to go to Confession if you have committed a mortal sin. This reception of the Eucharist is a visible sign of our faith and our participation in the Kingdom of God. Of course, we should receive Communion as frequently as possible; this "Easter Duty" is simply the minimum requirement set by the Church.

Dubois County Community Response

Stress, anxiety, depression, grief, loss, drug and alcohol abuse, thoughts of suicide or self-harm....These can impact anyone at any time. A group of community members has banded together to offer support, resources and care for you

Crisis Text Line: Text HELLO to 741741

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK

Survivors of Suicide of Dubois County: 812-630-6779

Teen Lifeline: 1-800-448-3000


Teen Text Line: Text VOICE to 20121 (noon to midnight)

Veteran's Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (press 1)

Veteran Text Line: Text START to 838255

Red Cross Blood Drive, Thursday, April 25, 2:00-6:00pm, Community Center Cafeteria. Call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: StMary to schedule an appointment. Make an impact and give if you can.

It is mowing season for the cemetery. All things in the cemetery on the ground or stuck in the ground will need to be removed. If there are things that we pick up and cannot be placed on the stone, they will be put by the gazebo. We want to keep our cemetery beautiful and safe for our mowers. Thanks!

Happy Birthday to the following parishioners who will be celebrating their birthday **April 13 to April 17:** 

April 13: Zoe Biggs, Anna Fleck, Austin Hopf, William Sander, Shane Schwindel, Jenna Sermersheim

April 14: Chris Birk, Richard Edwards, Sam Haas, Doug Mitchell Sarah Ruckriegel, Natalie Wehr

April 15: Calvin Beier, Jason Dupps, Alexander Hardin, Nathan Temple

April 16: Laura Renner, Nathan Wehr, Riley Werner

April 17: James Kapp, Greg Kendall, Samuel Lehmkuhler, Olivia Lichlyter, Angela Schmitt, Leon Schmitt, Jordan Seifert, Steve Senninger, Mary Weisman

April 18: Ace Hasenour, Michelle Krodel, Gwen Mehringer

April 19: Donna Gehlhausen, Allison Jochum, Ryan Kluesner, Adrienne Kraft, Phyllis Krodel, Caroline Prechtel, Clay Renner, Blake Schitter, Melissa Schwenk-Luebbehusen, Tim Weidenbenner, Kevin Werner

Congratulations!

If your name was omitted or we have the incorrect date, please call the parish office so we can get our records updated. Also, if your son or daughter has moved from this area or are back in the area, call and let us know. This way we can keep our records up to date.

Ireland K of C Scholarship

The Ireland Knights of Columbus are currently accepting applicants for 2 Scholarships to be given away in July 2024. Each Scholarship is a single payment of \$500! Applicants must be a graduating high school senior that will be attending either a 4 year university/college, a 2 year college, or any Trade School in the Fall of 2024. Applicants must be a child/stepchild of an Ireland Knights of Columbus Brother or deceased Brother. The Ireland K of C Brother/Deceased Brother must have been in good standing with dues current. Applicants are to submit a 3X5 index card with the following information to Ireland K of C, PO Box 136, Ireland, IN 47545.

-Students Full Name

-K of C Member Name

-Name of School attending in the Fall of 2024.

-4 year, 2 year, or Trade School Degree

Applicants will be chosen by random drawing in July. Deadline to enter is 6/15/2024. Call 812-639-0453 with any questions.

Fr. Luke will lead a pilgrimage to Italy, **November 6 -16, 2025.** Visit the places where the saints healed the sick, grew the faith and where the Church still proclaims the gospel of Christ in all its glory. Turin, Florence, Siena, Assisi and Rome are all part of the itinerary. Estimated cost is \$4,700 which includes air fare. Informational meeting, pricing and brochure will be available soon. Mark your calendar and call the parish office if you are interested in going.

Everyone having their child baptized is encouraged to attend a **Baptism Class** before scheduling their baptism. Baptism Class will be **May 9** after the 6:00pm Mass in the lower level of church. Call the parish office to make your reservation. You do not have to wait until your child is born to attend.



This Week's Parish Events

Saturday [04/13]:

- **Private Confessions** 4:00-4:20pm.
- **Mass** will be celebrated at 4:30pm.

Third Sunday of Easter [04/14]:

- **Private Confessions** 6:30-6:50am and 9:30-9:50am.
- **Mass** will be celebrated at 7:00am and 10:00am.
- **Rosary** prayed before the 10:00am Mass.
- **Women's Book Study** at 6:00pm in the lower level

Monday [04/15]:

- **Holy Hour/Adoration for Vocations** beginning at 6:00pm
- **Private Confessions** 6:00-6:50pm
- **Mass for Vocations** celebrated at 7:00pm.

Tuesday [04/16]:

- **Private Confessions** 5:30-5:50pm
- **Mass** celebrated at 6:00pm.
- **Choir Practice** after Mass.

Wednesday [04/17]

- **Mass** celebrated at 7:30am.
- **Quilting** in the lower level of church, noon to 4:00pm.

Thursday [04/18]

- **Private Confessions** 5:30-5:50pm
- **Mass** celebrated at 6:00pm.

Friday [04/19]

- **Mass** celebrated at 7:30am.

Saturday [04/20]:

- **Private Confessions** 4:00-4:20pm.
- **Mass** will be celebrated at 4:30pm.

Fourth Sunday of Easter - World Day of Prayer for Vocations [04/21]:

- **Private Confessions** 6:30-6:50am and 9:30-9:50am.
- **Mass** will be celebrated at 7:00am and 10:00am.
- **Rosary** prayed before the 10:00am Mass.
- **Women's Book Study** at 6:00pm in the lower level

Homebound Communion Visits - If you know someone who would like a visit, call the parish office and let us know. Homebound Communion Visits are on **Monday**.

If you would like to meet with Fr. Luke for spiritual direction, call the parish office and schedule an appointment.

We have someone in the area who will take your used or new holiday cards, birthday cards, or any type of greeting cards. They use a part of these cards to make greeting cards for residents of nursing homes that cannot afford to buy cards but like sending them to relatives and friends. Drop your cards off at the parish office.

If you are one of those shoppers that is always looking for a bargain, remember St. Mary Church. Good clearance items are appreciated for the picnic grab bag. Games, small toys - boys or girls, socks all ages, etc. Something your kids/grandkids would enjoy getting as a surprise. Just bring to the parish office.

Upcoming Parish Events

April 13: St Mary Golden Gala - parishioners 65+ after Mass.
April 14: Women's Book Study at 6:00pm in the lower level.
April 21: Women's Book Study at 6:00pm in the lower level.
April 25: Red Cross Blood Drive, 2:00-6:00pm.
April 28: St Mary 1st Communion at 10:00am.
April 28: Women's Book Study at 6:00pm in the lower level.
April 28: Savio at St. Mary, 6:00pm-8:30pm in the basement of the Social Hall.
May 5: Rosary Devotion at 3:00pm in church.
May 5: Women's Book Study at 6:00pm in the lower level.
May 11: Ireland K of C Teddy Bear Walk and Breakfast
May 12: Women's Book Study at 6:00pm in the lower level.
May 19: Women's Book Study at 6:00pm in the lower level.
June 24-27: St. Mary Vacation Bible School
July 3: Red Cross Blood Drive, 2:00-6:00pm.
July 20-22: TEC here at St. Mary
August 29: Red Cross Blood Drive, noon-6:00pm.
September 8: St Mary Church annual picnic
November 9-11: TEC here at St. Mary

Liturgical Ministers for April 20 & 21

Extraordinary Ministers:

4:30 pm Michelle Kieffner - Jenny Hayes - Joyce Gehlhausen
7:00 am Cheryl Fromme - D Wendholt - S Weidenbenner
10:00 am Diane Brescher - Abby Beck - Toni Reckelhoff

Lector:

4:30 pm Kevin Shepherd
7:00 am Carey Schmitt
10:00 am Helen Vonderheide

Ushers:

4:30 pm Scott & Kim Moeller
7:00 am Tim Weidenbenner - John Wendholt
10:00 am Danny Brescher - Pat Brescher

Servers:

4:30 pm Kerrigan Kieffner - Sarah Wehr
7:00 am Anna Renner - Jake Renner
10:00 am Luke Heichelbech - Joe Heichelbech

2024 Irish Sweepstakes Raffle Winner

April 7, 500 Winner is,
Tom Wagner and the
\$100.00 Irish Sweepstakes Raffle Winner is
Barb Weisman.
Congratulations!

Aluminum cans - Please continue to bring their aluminum cans to the trailer located north of the Community Center. Cans need to be put loose in the barrels, not dropped off in bags. Be sure and keep St. Mary in mind when you have your Spring or Summer gatherings. Thank you for your support.

If you want to take the cans or any payable recyclable directly to "Junk-It" just ask them to add them to our St. Mary's account we have with them. Thanks to everyone that has donated in this manner. We do get payment for your drop offs.

St. John Bosco Youth Ministry
Email boscodirector@evdio.org,
text/call 812-639-4227

April 13: Praise and Worship, 7:15-8:15pm at St. Joe
April 14: Sports group, 2:30-5:00pm, at St. Joseph Parish Center Gym
April 14: Bosco Lounge, 7:00-9:00pm at the Bosco House
April 17: Bosco Youth Group, 8:30-9:30 at the Bosco House
April 19: Conversations & Donuts, 7:00-7:55am at Jasper Middle School LPI Room
April 19: Middle School Fun Friday, 3:00-5:00pm at Jasper Middle School LPI Room
July 17-21: National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis

We are searching for a new **Bosco Youth Minister**. If you or someone you know is interested in this position, go to evdio.org, click "Employment Opportunities" in the taskbar, and look for the job description under "Director of St. John Bosco Youth Ministry." This is a full-time position .

St. John Bosco Youth Ministry uses "**Remind**" to keep you in the loop on middle and high school youth events. Text @bosco20 to 81010 to get reminders of events for your youth.

Project Rachel
Post Abortion Healing Ministry - Peace Starts Here

Begin to heal
Email: projectrachel@evdio.org; Phone 812-483-7812

Remember there is hope after abortion. For more information, visit www.hopeafterabortion.com

Area Events

April 13 & 14: Sts Peter and Paul "Die Kirche Auktion"

April 15: Catholic Charities "Neighbor to Neighbor" program information Session at Precious Blood Church, 6:00pm. This program is a faith-based life-skills education program that helps families move away from financial dependence on social service agencies and move towards self-sufficiency.

April 20: Diaconate Ordination at St. Benedict Cathedral at 10:00am CST

May 1: St. Joseph Church, Jasper, Bus Trip. Leave after Mass for the Azalea Path, lunch at the Diner by Mele's, go to St Boniface Church, and the Underground Lourdes Grotto. \$35.00 For more information contact Sue Seal 812-639-0141 or Sue Williams 812-827-8999. Return by 5:00pm.

July 17-21: Eucharistic Congress at Indianapolis.

Teddy Bear Walk - The Ireland K of C is hosting their annual Teddy Bear Walk on the grounds here at St. Mary's. The Walk is on Saturday, May 11th.



Registration is at 7:30Am. Walk at 8:00am. Breakfast will be served following the Walk. The Walk is less than a mile on the beautiful grounds of St. Mary's. Entry fee of \$25 includes a t-shirt and the breakfast. Kids 6 and under are free. Registration forms will be available in the back of church or by contacting any K of C Member. 100% of the proceeds are used to purchase Teddy Bears. Call 812-630-3802 or 812-639-0453 with questions.

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