

# ST. MARY CHURCH

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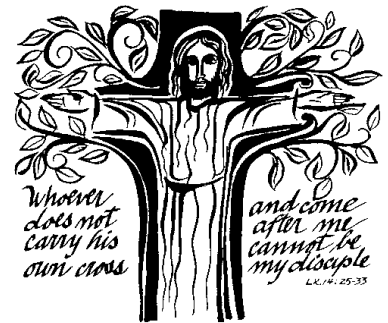
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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 9, 2007

## DAILY LITURGIES AND INTENTIONS:

Monday	September 10	Weekday 8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Tuesday	September 11	Weekday 8:00 a.m. Vince Ross
Wednesday	September 12	Weekday 8:00 a.m. Rosa Di Salvo
Thursday	September 13	<b>St. John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor</b> Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Friday	September 14	<b>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b> Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Saturday	September 15	<b>Our Lady of Sorrows</b> Gene and Trudy Lunsford
Sunday	September 16	<b>Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Living and deceased of the Eichholz & Howard Families St. Mary Community Richard Glinski Living and Deceased of the Ladies Society



As we did Stewardship of Time and Prayer in the spring, we will be doing Stewardship of Talent in our parish this weekend.

Stewardship is the vision that Jesus used in the Gospels to enable us to understand our discipleship better. Stewardship helps us envision our discipleship as a lifestyle. As the U.S. Bishops state in their Pastoral Letter entitled "Stewardship: A Disciple's Response": "Who is the Christian steward? One who receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord."

Next weekend is Catechetical Sunday. Deacon Steve will preach at all of the Masses on the importance of catechesis in the life of the parish and in the home.

# IN OUR PARISH

**WELCOME INTO THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY:** **Elaina Rose Mary Love** daughter of Texas and Mary Love on September 1 and **Abigail Jolee Mark** daughter of Tim and Katy Mark on September 2 joined the Catholic Christian Community through baptism

<b>ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK</b>	Sunday	<b>PSR Classes Begin</b> at 8:45 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 7:15 p.m.
	Tuesday	<b>Parkinson Support Group</b> at 1:30 p.m. <b>Jr. Hi Youth Ministry Night</b> at 5:30 p.m.
	Wednesday	<b>Worship Commission</b> at 7:00 p.m.
	Thursday	<b>Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</b> at 6:30 p.m. <b>Square Dancing</b> at 7:30 p.m.
	Saturday	<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b> at 9:00 a.m.
	Sunday	<b>PARISH PICNIC!! 1-5 P.M.</b>

**OUR GIFT IN RESPONSE TO GOD’S GENEROSITY:** The collection last weekend was \$11,305.00 (250 envelopes); children’s offering \$3.00 (4 envelopes); and St. Vincent de Paul \$2,006 (3 envelopes). **Thank you for your generosity** and continued support. Thank you for using your offering envelopes. Your dedication to the continued fiscal health of the parish is very appreciated. Only those who use their contribution envelopes may request a statement of contributions.

**RCIA** **INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?** Weekly sessions of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) begin this Thursday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m. and will help you to discern if God is calling you to membership in the Catholic Church. For more information, please call Deacon Steve at 937-746-1404.



**ATTENTION ALL PARENTS OF PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) STUDENTS:** Classes for the 2007-08 school year begin today, September 9, in the Parish Center and packets for those students who’ve registered can be picked up as you drop off your child for class. The packets include a schedule and a parent/student handbook. **Included in the handbook is a parent/student agreement which must be signed and returned to your child’s teacher.** For more information, please contact Deacon Steve at 937-746-1404.

**AND IN CASE YOUR CHILD IS NOT REGISTERED FOR PSR, IT’S NOT TOO LATE:** Pick up a registration form in the Parish Center today.

**NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, IS CATECHETICAL SUNDAY.** Catechists give of their time to share their faith with our children and adults in the Parish School of Religion and the RCIA. We will recognize our catechists in the parish with a special blessing at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

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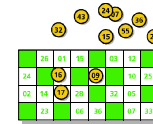
## WHERE TO EAT NEXT SUNDAY!?!

### ST. MARY ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 16 beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Right here on the parish grounds!!

- \* Bring a dish to share (families whose name begins with A-N bring a side dish/salad; those whose name begins with O-Z bring dessert)
- \* Hamburgers, hot dogs with all the fixin's and cold beverages provided by the parish
- \* Games and activities for the youth
- \* BINGO with prizes
- \* CORN HOLE
- \* Inflatable bounce
- \* Dunk Tank for SVdP
- \* And a whole lot MORE



**2007-2008 contribution envelopes ready in the Parish Hall, TODAY**



**ATTENTION 7 AND 8 GRADERS:** The first Junior High Youth Ministry event this year is Tuesday **September 11**. Are you ready to go bowling? Come to the Youth Room at 5:30 p.m.; we will get to know each other and head over to Strike Zone for fun and games. Cost for this event will be \$5 per person and friends are welcome. Please R.S.V.P. and obtain your permission form in the Youth Ministry office or by email [janethymismf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janethymismf@sbcglobal.net). **Parent drivers are needed.**

**DAYTON AREA YOUTH GROUPS GATHER FOR FALL FEST:** High school and junior high groups from neighboring parishes are getting together for **Fall Fest**. This afternoon will include games, food, Ultimate Frisbee and Dodge Ball Tournaments and lots of other fun stuff. **Fall Fest** is being held at St. Luke Church in Beavercreek on Sunday, September 23 from 2 – 5 p.m. Don't miss the fun. Contact Janet Huelsman 937-746-8709 to sign up now!

**YOUTH CAUGHT DOING GOOD DEEDS:** A great group of teens volunteered their time and energy to the Franklin Food Pantry this week. We stocked shelves and helped prepare personal care bags. Afterward, we participated in "pizza ministry" at Pisanello's. With good work behind us we enjoyed good food and fellowship. Thank you to each teen that was there, what a blessing you are to our community!

#### COMING ATTRACTIONS:

- \* September 9 – PSR begins! High School Youth Night - 7:15 p.m.
- \* September 11 – Junior High Youth Ministry Night at Strike Zone
- \* September 16 – Parish Picnic – All teens encouraged to attend and help out
- \* September 23 – High School Youth Night - 7:15 p.m.
- \* September 25 – Catholic Comedy with Doug Brummel at St. Christopher in Vandalia



**OUR DOORS ARE OPEN:** No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., no matter what your own self-image; you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at St. Mary Parish.

**LADIES!** Hope your summer was restful, but it's time to start thinking about rolling out of that hammock! It's September! The first fall meeting of St. Mary Ladies' Society will be at NOON on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, in the meeting room of the Parish Center. Normally, this would be a "Bring A Bag Lunch" meeting, but our September hostesses, Mary Pancake and Megan Stewart, are providing a salad lunch and yummy dessert, so all you have to do is show up! Remember, ALL ladies of St. Mary Parish (age 17 and older) are members of St. Mary Ladies' Society. There are no dues and we meet just once a month (the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday). You will renew old acquaintances and/or make new friends. And you're sure to enjoy yourself! Mark your calendars!



**HAVE YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED:** Have you wondered if you can help the St. Vincent de Paul conference in some small way? Have you wondered what that might be since you are so busy? The best way to find out and catch the spirit is to come to the meeting this Saturday at 9:00 a.m. and see how you might fit in with this dedicated group of men and women.

**THE FRANKLIN PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP** will meet Tuesday, September 11 at 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Our topic is "An Overview of Parkinson's Medications", including classes of drugs, their side effects and benefits. Our presenter is a pharmacy candidate at the University of Cincinnati, who is doing an internship with Jennifer Harrison, Pharm.D, at Clark's Pharmacy. The meeting is free and open to the public. Persons with Parkinson's Disease, their care partners and those interested in learning about PD are invited to attend. For information, call Rose Wurst, RN, BSW, at 937-748-4768.

**WANT TO MEET PEOPLE, LEARN A NEW FUN SKILL AND IMPROVE YOUR HEALTH?**

**Square & Line Dance Classes** begin on Thursday, September 13, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

**Round Dance Classes** (Choreographed ballroom dancing done to cues) begin on Tuesday, September 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

For information call Ken and Debbi Fish at 937-743-8228 (home) or 937-416-0934 (cell).

**NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULES:**

September 15-16	4:00 p.m. Sat.	7:30 a.m. Sun.	9:00 a.m. Sun.	10:30 Sun.	6:30 p.m.
<b>Servers</b>	Arizona Craycraft Casie McCurley	Allison Moore	Becca Erwin Taylor Lauricia	Patrick Avellano Kyle Kennedy	Isaac Brewster Erica Reese
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Karen Streit Norm Pfeifer Betty Reznor Sandi Traud	Connie Fields Diane Kinsworthy Larry Strimpfel	Tom Adams Karen Adams Addi Murphy Jane Murphy	Matt Whiteley Marge Braun Judy Martin Anne Langsdale	D. Kapolka R. Onderko Ed Koslow Ken Fish
<b>Lectors</b>	Melanie Ledbetter	Mike Hutchinson	Ken Fish	Monica Szymanski	Karen Koslow
<b>Gift Bearers</b>		Williams	Ball		Duckett

## PARISH LIFE INFORMATION

Office Phone No. 937-746-5404

Office Hours 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Monday—Friday

**Anointing of the Sick:** Call immediately in case of a serious illness. Hospitals can no longer call for you.

**Communion to the Homebound:** Call the office to arrange a visit.

**Reconciliation:** available at announced Reconciliation Services and Saturdays at 3:00 p.m.

**Matrimony:** Call the rectory for an appointment before setting a date. Six months of preparation are required.

**Baptism:** Preparation is required before Baptism, preferably during pregnancy. Call the rectory to make arrangements.

**Religious Vocations:** Check [www.cincinnati vocations.org](http://www.cincinnati vocations.org) or call Rev. Kyle Schnippel, 513-421-3131

**Bulletin Deadline:** noon the Tuesday before the weekend. E-mail notices to [Annelpasmf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Annelpasmf@sbcglobal.net).

### Parish Pastoral Council Members:

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Rocky Adams	937-743-0226	Dan Fedders	937-746-4123	Roger Stebelton	937-855-6897
Eileen Avellano	937-748-0043	Mark Fields	937-743-9077	Mary Steed	937-746-6571

## BEYOND THE PARISH

**A RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT** for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Cincinnati on October 12, 13, 14, 2007. The confidential, supportive retreat is for anyone hurting inside from abortion. For more information, please call Peggy at 513-588-0080 or email Peggy at [pfeirstine@cinci.rr.com](mailto:pfeirstine@cinci.rr.com). You can also visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org) or call a national toll-free hotline at 1-800-HOPE-4-ME.

**PARENTING TEENS:** *The Birds, the Bees, and Beyond* is a four-week class for adults interested in learning about growth and development of teens, peer pressure, setting boundaries and much more. The class begins September 25 at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Mt. Healthy. The fee is \$55. To register or for more information call Sandy Keiser at Catholic Social Services, 513-241-7745.

**PERSONALLY DIRECTED RETREAT** – The Jesuit Spiritual Center is offering a Personally Directed Retreat October 12-19. This silent and individualized retreat offers participants a quiet time

spent in the tradition of the *Spiritual Exercises* of St. Ignatius. Each day includes Mass and a meeting with a spiritual director. Accommodation can also be made for shorter stays. For more information, call 513-248-3500, ext. 10.

**PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND FRIENDS** of students at **Wright State University** encourage your people to check out Catholic Campus Ministry; the building is on the main road through campus, near the Woods. We have two Sunday Masses, Retreats, Service Projects, Dinners and other activities.

- Fr. Ed Burns

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** A weekend marriage enrichment that provides time for a couple to grow closer to one another and to God. Next dates: September 21 – 23. For reservations call: Keith and Lori Maurmeier 513-598-8112 or 1-800-547-1251 Code 00 or for information call parishioners Mark and JoAnn Givens at 937-743-9687.

### Thought for today

You have one precious life to give. How do you choose to offer it to God? Be willing to accept the challenges of discipleship. Luke 14:25-33