

Liturgical Roles

Mon. April 10	HR	8:00 am	Mass
Servers: Dakoda Moore; Mariel Augsburg			
Tues. April 11	HR	8:15 am	Mass
Servers: Scott Walden, Taylor Ott, Lexi Rammel			
Wed. April 12	HR	12:05 pm	Mass
Servers: Adult Server			
Thurs. April 13	HR	7:00 pm	Mass
Servers: Jamie Dabis, Justin Grannan, Ryan Meier, Luke Schloemer			
Lectors: Randy Wilker, Steve Kill			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Volunteers			
Fri. April 14	HR	12:00 pm	Mass
Servers: Kadin Davis, Jadin Davis, Rylin Davis			
Lector: Dave Helmstetter, Deacon Alex, Ambrose Dobrozsi			
Fri. April 14	SP	7:00 pm	Service of the Cross
Servers: Taylor Ott, Quincy Rable			
Sat. April 15	HR	8:45 pm	Mass
Servers: Kyle Mielke, Brandon Miller, Brent Miller			
Lectors: Jennifer Tester, Brooke Yahl, Kristi Koch, Linda Lunz, John Hudson, Bill Angel			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Volunteers			
Sun. April 16	HR	8:00 am	Mass
Servers: Gavin Lininger, Zoe Lininger, Emma Lininger			
Lectors: Claire Schloemer, Esther Carpenter			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Gene Wilker, Cindy Wilker, Marge Doenges, Doug Wilker, Deacon Marty, Shelly Wilker, Marceil Wilker			
Sun. April 16	SP	9:30 am	Mass
Servers: Chloe Ott, Ally Ott			
Lector: Cheryl Varuska			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Dustin Knapke, Christine Knatz, Kent Schlegel, LuAnna Scott			
Ushers: Marc Hines, Kathy Kentner, Tom Naseman			
Sacristan: Kaden Brackman			
Sun. April 16	HR	11:00 am	Mass
Servers: Austin Smith, Kyle Steining, Bryce Wilker, Sam Young			
Lectors: Mary Beth Mielke, Molly Menker			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Margene Craft, Angie Brown, Ben Brown, Bruce Miller, Chrissy Hensley, Deacon Marty, Alli Schlosser, Linda Tebbe			



Sunday	April 9	
8:00 am	Mass at Holy Rosary	
8:45 am - 1 pm	Palm Sunday Breakfast - Cafeteria	
9:30 am	Mass at St. Patrick	
11:00 am	Mass & Choir at Holy Rosary	
6:30 pm	33 Days to Merciful Love - Cafeteria	
Monday	April 10	
8:00 am	Mass at Holy Rosary	
6:30 - 7:30 pm	Confession at St. Patrick	
7:00 pm	HR Adult Choir Practice	
Tuesday	April 11	
8:15 am	Mass at Holy Rosary	
6:30 - 8:00 pm	Confessions at Holy Rosary	
Wednesday	April 12	
10:30 am	Legion of Mary - Upper Room	
11:30 - 11:55 am	Confessions at Holy Rosary	
12:05 pm	Mass at Holy Rosary	
2:30 pm	Exposition Of Blessed Sacrament at Otterbein	
6:30 - 7:30 pm	SP CCD	
7:00 pm	HR Penance Service (5 extra priests)	
7:00 - 8:00 pm	HR CCD Grades 1-12	
8:00 - 9:00 pm	Connect HRYG - Rectory Basement	
Thursday	April 13	Holy Thursday
10:00 - 11:00 am	Confessions at Holy Rosary	
7:00 pm	Mass at Holy Rosary	
Friday	April 14	Good Friday
11:00am - 12:00p	Confessions at Holy Rosary	
12:00 pm	Service of the Cross & Stations @ HR	
7:00 pm	Service of the Cross & Stations @ SP	
	**** NO FISH FRY ****	
Saturday	April 15	Holy Saturday
9:00 - 11:00 am	SP Youth Choir Practice	
10:00 - 11:00 am	Confessions at HR	
11:00 am	RCIA & Server - Practice in Church	
1:30 pm	Lector Practice	
8:45 pm	Easter Vigil Mass at Holy Rosary	
Sunday	April 16	Easter
8:00 am	Mass at Holy Rosary	
8:30 am	SP Children's Choir Practice	
9:30 am	Mass & Children's Choir at St. Patrick	
10:30 am	HR Choir Prelude	
11:00 am	Mass & Choir at Holy Rosary	

Prayer Hotline	Weekend Mass Attendance	Grief Support
Holy Rosary: Julie 305-7937	4:30 pm 306	Steve and Kathy Frankenberg 419-753-2056
St. Patrick Mary 657-2346	8:00 am 192	
	9:30 am 159	
	11:00 am 430	
	1087	

Grandma's Attic, Otterbein
Sponsor of the Week

Holy Rosary Adopt-a-Student

Current Week Donations:	\$ 1,707.50
Total Donations Received:	\$ 61,777.69
Parishioner Participation:	168 Families

The monthly Adopt-A-Student collection is to help Holy Rosary School with its operating expenses.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Mass Intentions

Mon. 04/10	Monday of Holy Week <i>Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11</i>
8:00 am	HR Robert Hensley
Tues. 04/11	Tuesday of Holy Week <i>Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38</i>
8:15 am	HR Margaret Miley
Wed. 04/12	Wednesday of Holy Week <i>Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25</i>
12:05 pm	HR Rupert & Anne Burnham
Thurs. 04/13	Holy Thursday <i>Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15</i>
7:00 pm	HR Mass of the Last Supper
Fri. 04/14	Friday of the Passion of the Lord. <i>Is 52:13—53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42</i>
12:00 pm	HR Service of the Cross
7:00 pm	SP Service of the Cross
Sat. 04/15	Holy Saturday <i>Gn 1:1, 26-31a; Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ex 14:15—15:1; Is 54:5-14; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6:3-11; Mt 28:1-10</i>
8:45 pm	HR Vigil Mass
Sun. 04/16	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord <i>Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9</i>
8:00 am	HR Ellie Price
9:30 am	SP Janet Barber
11:00 am	HR Michael Bernard

April 2, 2017

Joyfully and Responsibly I Give My First Fruits to God.

Holy Rosary Collection

Adult Envelopes Issued:	540
Adult Envelopes used:	214
Parish Pay (Direct Deposit)	106
Adult Offering:	\$ 8,944.00
Loose Offering:	\$ 850.96
Total Collection:	\$ 9,794.96
Week Budgeted:	\$ 9,670.00
Weekly Collection & Direct Deposit:	\$ 9,794.96
Over/Short to date:	124.96
YTD Total weekly budgeted:	\$ 386,800.00
YTD Total weekly collection:	\$ 357,390.71
Over/Short to date:	\$ (29,409.29)

St. Patrick Collection

Adult Envelopes Issued:	55
Adult Envelopes used:	36
Adult Offering:	\$ 1,645.00
Loose Offering:	\$ 152.50
Total Collection:	\$ 1,797.50

Message from the Pastor

Today we begin the holiest week of the year, the week we remember Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection. Today, Palm Sunday, he enters Jerusalem in triumph. But inside a week he would be condemned to die and jeered by that same crowd along the sorrowful way to Calvary. What happened in that short time between Palm Sunday and Good Friday? It was just as Jesus said to the soldiers and chief priests who were about to arrest him, "This is your hour, the time for the power of darkness." (Luke 22:53)

How then do we live in the light when the darkness of sin so surrounds us? How do we live as people who know who their true king is and who are not deceived into sin by the lure of an apparent good that sinful behavior sets before us to choose? We must walk in the light and see sin as it truly is – a deception. Sin is seeing an apparent good where there really is a rejection of God and the way He marks out for us to truly be. This deception plays on our lower selves. It appeals to our pride, our vanity, or our comfort-seeking. Sin is always the easier way to go. Sin seems to satisfy our desires and our needs. But really, sin only leaves us in worse shape, feeling guilty and with no feeling of satisfaction.

As Jesus rides into Jerusalem we must recognize in Him the way to be truly human. We must be true to Him and take up arms against sin in our lives; the weapons of self-denial, sacrificial love, prayer and the Sacraments, especially Confession and Holy Communion. We must do this in order to be authentic and truly happy. We can't let the darkness creep back into our lives, clouding our vision and weakening our wills. We must go with Christ up the hill of Calvary and die to ourselves and live by faith in the grace of God. This is the work of our lives; our most important task at hand. This is the great drama of the Christian life, which plays out under the light of God's mercy.

So, what are you going to do this week? Will you only be there for the parade on Palm Sunday? Or will you go where Christ is, in all the moments of Holy Week; from the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, to the crisis of Good Friday, to the great and resounding joy of the Easter Vigil, and to the bright new day of Easter Sunday? What are you going to do this week? Will you follow Christ closely in your prayer, reading and meditating on the Passion Narratives of the Gospels? Will you come to Him humbly in the Sacrament of Confession, maybe at the Penance Service on Wednesday night? Will you fast on Good Friday in earnest and really live that day in quiet contemplation of your Savior on the Cross, while attending the services on Friday afternoon at Holy Rosary or in the evening at St. Patrick's?

I hope you will make Holy Week and Easter a special time of grace and closeness to God at church. If you have never been to the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday, why not give it a try this year. It is a beautiful service where we will welcome 18 souls into the Catholic Church. It could be the best blessing you have ever received; and God has it waiting for you.

Fr. Barry

April 9, 2017

Deacon Alex's Ordination Mass

Call the Parish office to reserve your seat on the 55-passenger bus to Deacon Alexander Witt's Ordination Mass at St. Peter in Chains in Cincinnati on Saturday, May 20, at 11:00a.m. Cost is \$25 to secure your seat. Checks can be made payable to Holy Rosary Church. We will depart from Holy Rosary Parking Lot Promptly at 8:00a.m. and plan to return by 4:00p.m. **Bring your own lunch in a small carry-on cooler. We do not plan to stop for any meals. Call the parish office with questions.

Catch the Excitement at Holy Rosary School

Congratulations, Grade 3! New life came in the form of baby chicks this week! We are waiting and working toward the Easter Resurrection and new life. What a beautiful concrete example of God's amazing creation in the third grade classroom, with new life in these baby chicks. Once again, thank you to our county 4H program which allows Mrs. Guggenbiller to have her egg incubation each year!

Students in all grades gathered in the gym on Friday for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Rosary led by Mrs. Brun's second grade class. This is a truly beautiful practice of prayer. Students have certainly been exposed to many prayers and practices this Lent.

Many blessings to our Holy Rosary School family, as we all celebrate Autism Awareness Month. Miss Gwen, Miss Angela, Miss Kaitlynn, and Miss Leah are such a part of our school family, working with our clinic.



Virtue of the month: Courage

HOLY ROSARY FESTIVAL NEWS

The festival committee is in need of a Co-Chair for the festival.

Chuck-a-Luck needs chairpersons for Friday & Saturday.

The organizing committee for the 5K is also looking for people to join their committee. Please call the parish office with any questions or if you are interested in giving of your time.

TRAVELING OVER SPRING BREAK ?



Don't take a vacation from Christ! Visit Masstimes.org for locations and Mass times to thousands of parishes throughout the world to help you locate a church near where you will be staying.

Junior High Spiritual Survivor

All 7th and 8th Grade Parishioners are encouraged to go to Spiritual Survivor in Maria Stein on Wednesday, April 19th. Students will compete with 500+ fellow Catholic junior high students in HIGH ENERGY faith based contests. The bus will leave from Pine Street in front of the school at 6:30 p.m. and will return by 9p.m. Permission slips are available from your CCD or Holy Rosary School teacher on April 12th. Bring your permission slip and \$5 on the 19th. Dress accordingly – all activities are outside. Our 10th-12th grade high school students will help run five of the games that evening. Their permission slips will be available on April 12th as well.

Save the Date!

Mark your calendar for Holy Rosary Vacation Bible School 2017 Sunday, July 9, though Thursday, July 13, from 6:00-8:00p.m. on the church grounds. Our expedition this year is **Maker Fun Factory: Created By God. Built for a Purpose.** Registration forms will be available on line, in the back of church or in the parish office in May.

Sunday School Thank You

Our Sunday School Spring Program was last Sunday, April 2nd, following the 11a.m. Mass in the school gym. What a blessing to hear our 3-6 year old parishioners sing of Jesus' love and greatness. A HUGE THANK YOU goes out to all Sunday School Helpers! Jennifer Tester, Caleigh Christman, Lily Rammel and Olivia Tester worked with our 3 year olds. Suzanne Smith and Sarah Howe were our teachers for the 4 year old class and Erica Bills, Cathy Brotherhood, Beth Perry, Taylor Brotherhood, Caroline Bills and Ally Will were our 5 -Kindergarten teachers and helpers. We want to give special mention and thank you to Caleigh Christman who finished her 11th and final year of helping with Sunday School! She is graduating from high school and will be attending Wright State to pursue a degree in Nursing. Thank you, Caleigh, for being so generous in giving your time teaching and being a positive witness to our Sunday school children.

2017 Holy Rosary Garage Sale

June 1, 2, & 3

It is that time of year to start thinking about the annual Holy Rosary Garage Sale. We will be accepting good, clean, usable household items & tools.

No Large Appliances will be accepted!

Drop-off dates and times will be posted in upcoming bulletins.



Easter Egg Hunt



Join us for an Easter egg hunt after Easter Sunday Mass on the St. Patrick church grounds. Bring your Easter basket or we will provide a bag for you. Ages 0 to 3, 4 to 6, 7 to 10.



TURKEY PARTY MEETING

There will be a meeting concerning the annual Turkey Party this Tuesday, April 11, at 7:00 p.m. at the St. Patrick Rectory. All parish members are invited to come to discuss location and the future of the party. New and former committee heads are encouraged to come. This is the only major fund raiser for the parish and input from parishioners is needed. Questions or comments can be directed to Virgil Brown or Dave Steinke.

Ladies of St. Patrick

The year 2017 marks the 100th anniversary of our Lady's appearance to the children at Fatima, where she told them to pray the rosary daily to bring peace to the world and end war. Today this message is more important than ever.

To honor this anniversary, the ladies of St. Patrick will be praying the rosary and having fellowship the 4th Monday of every month at the rectory at 7:00pm.

ST PATRICK HISTORY BOOKS

St. Patrick History Books and prints of the church are available in the parish office or contact Ellen Brown at 419-300-8855. The cost of these books is \$35 and the prints are \$15. If you would like to purchase both, the total cost is \$45.

PARISHIONER UPDATES

Have you moved, changed your email address or have your adult children moved out of your home? Please remember to keep the parish office updated with your current information and any changes by e-mail to holyrosary@bright.net or calling the office 419-394-5050.

BORROWER'S BOOKSHELF

Various books of interesting spiritual topics are available once again for you to sign out and read. They are now located in the little hallway between the old overflow and the door leading to the parish office. No rental charge. Just return them promptly so others can enjoy them.

CD's are available also for a minimal cost with spiritual talks by leading Catholic figures.

FRIENDLY FINANCES

The Archdiocese has reached 81% of their \$5 million goal for the 2017 CMA (Catholic Ministries Appeal). Our parishes have contributed the following amounts:

Holy Rosary
Amount Contributed: \$22,156
Goal: \$24,930
89% of Goal

Saint Patrick
Amount Contributed: \$1,105
Goal: \$4,066
27% of Goal

We understand that many of you have contributed to our Capital Campaign and could not give as much to CMA. Thank you for your generous donations!

Jess Rammel
Business Manager
419-394-5050

FIRST TURN-IN TICKET REMINDER FOR K of C MEMBERS

K of C members are reminded that the first ticket turn-in for the Super Cash Bonanza charity tickets is Wednesday, April 12, from 7 to 8 p.m. in the K of C Hall. Tickets may also be mailed or given to Dave Helmstetter (419) 733-2291 or (419) 394-1180. The second turn-in date is Thursday, May 11, from 7 to 8 p.m.

Members are also reminded that there is no business meeting Thursday, April 13, because of Holy Thursday.

Holy Rosary Spirit Wear Now Available Monthly

Starting in April, Holy Rosary Spirit Wear can be ordered each month and picked up at the end of the second week of the following month at Stars & Stripes. Check out their website for items available: ssgcustomprinting.com or stop out to their store at 04985 Shipman Rd. St. Marys. If you have questions, contact Travis Doseck at 419-953-3387.



GETHSEMANE CEMETERY

If you have questions regarding the purchasing of cemetery plots, the costs, available plots, etc. in Gethsemane Cemetery, please direct all calls to the parish office at 419-394-5050.

We can help you with the basic information and also with scheduling an appointment to help you choose your plot and help you with your questions and concerns.

Ways to Walk with Christ this Lent

Holy Rosary & St. Patrick Sacrament of Confession Times During Lent

Wednesdays at Holy Rosary	11:00 - 11:55 am
Saturdays at Holy Rosary	10:00 - 11:00 am
Monday, April 10, at St. Patrick	6:30 - 7:30 pm
Tuesday, April 11, at Holy Rosary	6:30 - 8:00 pm
Wednesday, April 12, at Holy Rosary	7:00 - 8:30 pm
(Penance Service with 5 additional priests)	
Holy Thursday, April 13, at Holy Rosary	10:00 - 11:00 am
Good Friday, April 14, at Holy Rosary	11:00 - 12:00 pm
Holy Saturday, April 15, at Holy Rosary	10:00 - 11:00am

PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST All You Can Eat Buffett

Come to the Connect High School Youth Group's annual Palm Sunday Breakfast 8:45am - 1:00pm in the cafeteria.

Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Pastries, and Drinks

Costs are: Adults - \$7 , Children ages 4-12 - \$3,
 Children 3 and under - Free

All proceeds go to high school youth events including retreats and CONNECT activities. This is our only fundraiser.

Service of the Cross and Stations of the Cross

Led by
Deacon Alex Witt

On Good Friday at Noon
at Holy Rosary Church.



Holy Rosary & St. Patrick Lenten Diaper Drive Coming to the End

Tuesday, April 11, is the last day to drop off your diaper donations. Items collected will be given to Agape Ministries, Choosing Life Pregnancy Center and Family Life Center of Auglaize County for distribution to needy mothers and families. Thank you in advance for helping those who need us.

Please place items in the Holy Rosary Church office entrance.

Sizes 3, 4 and 5 are still needed.

LATE LENTEN PRAYER

God of the desert,
 God of the forty years of wandering,
 God of the forty days in the wilderness,
 bring us to the waters of the Jordan
 and into Easter's promise.
 Sustain us in the remaining days of this Lenten desert
 so that at last we rejoice in the contrasts
 of fasting and feasting,
 of stones one side of the waters
 and of milk and honey on the other.
 Steady us so that we are present
 to the rigors of each day's trek.
 Let unsought silences and deprivations
 be occasions to "be overruled and swallowed up"
 in Your vast action.
 Turn hungers for the things that we left behind in
 Egypt into spiritual leanness glad for the Bread of
 Heaven.
 Increase in us hospitality to the stranger.
 Convert us as we journey
 with our parish candidates for Baptism and
 Confirmation.
 Subdue the enemy within us
 as You make peace in all the world.
 Work repentance in Your church
 until our unity in Christ overpowers
 our cherished divisions.
 Go before us as the desert gives way to
 Easter's Alleluia.
 Amen.

Palm Sunday

Holy Rosary Pastoral Council Minutes March 28, 2017 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Bob Kantner leading with prayers.

Members Present: Bob Kantner, Robbie Burke, Peg Larkin, Fr. Barry, Deacon Marty, Jim Schloemer, Pam Rammel, Matt Kinkley, Al Meinerding, Charlotte Duncan, Lil Heitkamp, Joe Kuebler and Jessica Rammel. Elaine Paul & Kelly Wilker were excused.

Minutes from the February meeting were approved.

Altar Society: Jane Bertke gave a wonderful talk on her trip to Fatima. The Lenten Lunch went well...three soups and a variety of cookies were served...left-overs went to a halfway house. Seminarian Ambrose Dobrozsi gave a great talk. Spa for the Soul was well attended and very good.

Ruth Oen, from St. Patrick's, asked for donations of baked goods for the Auglaize County Cancer fundraiser on May 12.

Verlene Lawler asked for help with making baptismal cloths.

There will be no meeting in April. The next meeting will be May 16, with Fr. Barry sharing from his trip to Italy, Austria, Germany and Switzerland.

There will be a reception for Alex Witt after he celebrates his first Mass on May 21. The Mass will be at 11am.

Debbie Stegall will be taking over as president of the Altar Society in September.

Knights of Columbus: Lenten Fish Fry returns this week. Only two more remaining: March 31, and April 7.

The annual All Ohio Charity Raffle campaign tickets are available. Top prize is nearly \$50,000, \$414/month for 10 years. First turn in is April 12. The drawing will be at the state convention, May 27. This campaign directly subsidizes our many charitable efforts. Just a few of these have been \$250 to the Agape Coat Drive; \$100 to Maria Stein Spiritual Center; \$100 to Shop with the Cop; \$300 to Holy Rosary School; \$250 to Family Life Center; \$100 to Auglaize County Right to Life.

We are always looking for new members— practicing Catholic men, 18 years and older. We are conducting an admission degree exemplification this coming Thursday in the Hall. Please visit our Council website KofC1592.org.

Youth Report: Our IHOP (Intense Hour of Prayer) last Wednesday was a success. The Hour was led by Ambrose who led the discussion and music. Confession was available throughout the hour. We had many youth from our parish along with Holy Redeemer and Maria Stein parishes who enjoyed delicious pancakes afterwards, thanks to Tammy Bayham.

Education Commission: Robbie Burke reported for Lora Krugh. Congratulations to our junior high students who each submitted an essay on the 4 Way Test to our Rotary Club. Ellen Schloemer's 1st Place entry has moved on to District competition. Michael Baldwin & Abigail Largent placed 2nd & 3rd respectively. Thank you to Rotary for a lovely lunch out!

Confessions continue throughout Lent, as well as our weekly Lenten prayer services and our I WILL daily prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These are posted on our Facebook page, if you would like to see what we are doing daily.

ACRE results are in: these are tests of our 5th & 8th Graders' knowledge in their faith as well as an effective part of the test, which kind of tells us how our children are expressing their faith with their family & friends. These results help us to build our school improvement plan.

PTO had a successful Night at the Races! Laundry Detergent sales begin soon. Earlier in the year we held our Dad's Day-Dog Days with Dad and the Father/Daughter Dance. Next up is Muffins with Mom and Mom/Son Outing to a Roughrider baseball game, where the children will sing the National Anthem before the game and run bases after the game. This was a big hit last Spring.

Teacher Appreciation week is in May. Administrative Professional's Day is in April. Our staff is MUCH appreciated for their hard work and dedication to our Catholic school.

Enrollment numbers are looking good. We have 23 for Pre-K with a max of 28. K-8 is 115 with approximately 20 not registered. This is pretty normal for us. Fifteen future kindergarten students will be screened on April 7th and hold their orientation on May 5th. Auxiliary dollars for textbooks and tech will need to be spent this year as it is the end of the biennium. Teachers and staff continue to work hard on Administrative Cost reimbursement which is free money from the State for operating expenses. We use this fund whenever we need. Auxiliary dollars must be spent on student needs.

We are stepping up our marketing efforts for Holy Rosary School. A brochure has been produced and sent out to area businesses, such as, realtors and day care centers. Ed Com will be working on a mailing to eligible Pre-K through Grade 3 students from HR and St. Pat's. Mrs. Krugh is looking into marketing monies from the Archdiocese which would help defray this cost.

CRE Report: ACRE tests are back. HRYG/Connect held an IHOP on March 22.

April 5 the Saint Wax Museum for 8th grade students that are being confirmed in the fall.

April 12 is the LIFE group will be sorting diapers at the church and will distribute them to three places we support for the Diaper Drive.

April 19 Spiritual Survivor for 7th & 8th graders will be held at the Maria Stein Retreat Center grounds.

May 3 May Crowning.

May 7 First Communion at the 11am Mass.

Spa for the Soul was a great success with 200 women attending throughout the evening.

Confirmation Retreat will be held next fall and led by NET Ministries.

Twenty-four boys attended the ConQuest retreat March 4th.

33 Days of Merciful Love parish retreat has been attended by approximately 50 people.

A girl's club started for 4-8th grade Holy Rosary girls - meeting after school on Wednesdays.

Three high school boys attended a weekend retreat and three high school girls attended Cast Your Nets in McCartyville.

Maintenance: Plumbing issues continue in the school, church & rectory. Worn out valves and pumps being replaced and rebuilt.

New hours have been assigned to Joyce Gossard and she will be cleaning the school, cafeteria & bathrooms. Dixie Russell has taken over cleaning the church and rectory.

Ted Vehorn has been contracted for three years mowing the campus and cemetery.

Big THANK YOU to the volunteers who have been sweeping, cleaning, painting and gathering things from the construction site that can be used for future repair work. Also, to those assembling scaffolding to replace the lights in church with LED lighting.

Finance: Five more families (10 children) have been accepted to the One Hope, One Faith, One Love tuition assistance program, bringing us to a total of 13 families (24 students). \$21,000 will come to the school in September.

In February, we made a second draw on our construction loan in the amount of \$97,000. We have a balance of \$271,000.

Jessica also reported that she has begun work on the 2017-2018 budget and the Sunday collections are up from February. Also, the "Friendly Finances" column in the bulletin is being well received.

Liturgy Board: No report. Holy Week is ready to go.

Old Business: Phase 3 is going well. Weather cooperating has been a huge help. Brick work is done; drywall is finished and ready for paint. Flooring is ready to be finished, waiting for the walls to be painted first. Parishioners should be able to enter through the main entrance on Palm Sunday, even though the asphalt won't be down.

Chapel trim has been repaired; only thing needed to finish the Chapel is the sconce lighting.

Fire alarms are installed; smoke detectors are a work in progress...testing to be done Friday.

Computerized electric panel to turn on/off the lights in the Church is in the works.

Thanks to the installation of LED lighting in the Church, lighting bill should be cut by 70%. These savings should cover the cost of operating the rest of the building.

The bell tower still has water issues... it is retaining water higher up in the tower... not a roofing issue.

HVAC still running on the old system. We cannot find parts anymore...looking to upgrade to electronic. We have not committed to this...it is on "The List".

New Business: On Good Friday we will see the water and gas lines moved deeper and enclosed to make way for the hallway connector between the church and the school.

Steve Hunter of Consolidated Hunter, will donate repair work on the basement restrooms.

Parking Plan for Pine Street is moving forward.

Looking into adding an awning over the new Pine Street entrance to deflect wind/rain issue.

Pastor's Report: Very pleased with the new pews. Looking to add carpet pad to the book slots to "silence" them. With the new addition, we now have a seating capacity of 700...up from 520.

Fr. Barry will be gone April 24 - May 4 for his parish pilgrimage to Austria, Germany, Italy and Switzerland. He will not miss any other weekends the rest of the calendar year.

April 23 is Divine Mercy Sunday. There will be a Holy Hour starting at 4pm with confession also being available.

Easter will bring in 18 new members to the Church...includes 10 baptisms (4 adults, 2 teens, and 4 children).

Deacon Alex Witt will be here for the Easter Triduum.

A bus will be going to Alex's ordination on May 20th. More details as they become available.

Next meeting will be held May 23, 2017, at 7pm in the Upper Room.

Holy Rosary Pastoral Council Members

Bob Kantner	(President)	419-394-2605
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Elaine Paul	(Secretary)	419-305-7701
Robbie Burke		419-305-5156
Jim Schloemer		419-394-4267
Charlotte Duncan		419-394-3882
Peg Larkin		419-394-5179
Al Meinerding		419-394-8359
Pam Rammel		419-394-8730
Kelly Wilker	(Youth Rep.)	419-394-8471