

CELEBRATE THE LORD'S DAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00pm at St. John's
Sunday: 8:30am at St. John's
10:30am at St. Mary's



**LITURGY SCHEDULE
May 12
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Monday, May 13

0:30 a.m...No Mass (St. John's)

Tuesday, May 14

5:30 p.m...Lisa Fritz (St. John's)

Wednesday, May 15

12:00noon...Robert Heiser (St. John's)

Thursday, May 16

5:30 p.m...No Mass (St. Mary's)

Friday, May 17

10:00 a.m...Cecil Oswalt (Bridgewater Center)

Saturday, May 18

5:00 p.m...Helen Walsh (St. John's)

Sunday, May 19

8:30 a.m...Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. John's (St. John's)

10:30 a.m...Jim Grady (St. Mary's)

**PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS
FOR MAY:**

The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.



SUNDAY CONNECTION:

The Voice of the Shepherd

written by Br. John-Marmion Villa, BSC

In a world where we are constantly bombarded with so many voices calling for our attention, many of us can feel overwhelmed by the myriad of options. Amid this clamor, we seek refuge just so that we can tune into the sound of our own voice once again. And yet, there's the voice of the Shepherd himself, which we don't immediately recognize because it's "just another voice in our head." Yet, that is the one voice that should draw our attention: how does the voice of Jesus sound to you?

PRAY THE ROSARY

May is the month of Mary, our Heavenly Mother. As we celebrate Mother's Day, let us also honor Mary with prayer and adoration through the rosary. As you pray the rosary this month offer prayers for mothers to love their children the way God loves them, the way their kids deserve, and the way they want to love their children.

SERVERS FOR ST. JOHN'S

Saturday, 5p.m...Kelli Rinker & Matthew Aulbach

Sunday, 8:30a.m...Bethany Elkins & Anya Aulbach

THIS WEEK:

Monday 13, Altar & Rosary 6pm at St. Mary's

Tuesday 14, Women's Bible Study 9-11am St. John's

Saturday 18, Reconciliation after 5pm Mass at St. John's

Sunday 19, Spring Silent Auction & Carry-in Dinner 11:30am at St. Mary's

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Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached. We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But, the Gospel assures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life.

RCIA

The next RCIA meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 22 in the parish hall at 6pm at St. John's. Anyone is invited who may have questions and/or are seeking answers about the Catholic faith.

ST. MARY ALTAR & ROSARY SPRING SILENT AUCTION

Spring Cleaning?? Save your new and gently used items for the Altar & Rosary Society.

Our St. Nicholas Silent Auction & Carry-In was such a fun time! Many asked that we do it again. So we are.

We will be accepting items now through May 12th. Toys, jewelry, purses, books, gift & home decorating and guy stuff.

Please place them downstairs at the table marked "Silent Auction". Then mark your calendar for **May 19th: Spring Silent Auction & Carry-In Dinner**. All are welcome!

NEW MEMBER SIGN-UP

If you are regularly attending St. Mary's or St. John's Parish and have not registered with the office and would like to do so, sign-up forms are located on the bookcases at each Church. Return completed form via collection basket or deliver to office.

Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Mary, pray for us.

Holy Mother of God, pray for us.

Most honored of virgins, pray for us.

Mother of Christ, pray for us.

Mother of the Church, pray for us.

Mother of divine grace, pray for us.

Dearest of mothers, pray for us.

Model of motherhood, pray for us.

Virgin most wise, pray for us.

Virgin rightly praised, pray for us.

Virgin gentle in mercy, pray for us.

Mirror of justice, pray for us.

Cause of our joy, pray for us.

Shrine of the Spirit, pray for us.

Health of the sick, pray for us.

Help of Christians, pray for us.

Queen of apostles & martyrs, pray for us.

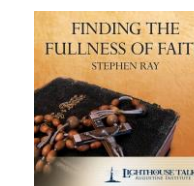
Queen of all saints, pray for us.

Queen of families, pray for us.

Queen of peace, pray for us.

Understand, Live, and Share your Faith!

THIS WEEK'S FEATURE CD:



Stephen Ray was raised in a devout, loving, Baptist family. In this presentation, he shares his amazing conversion to Catholicism and explains why he is convinced it is the Church founded by Christ over 2000 years ago.

These items are located on the kiosk in the parish hall.

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

The Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ would like to announce the Jubilee Celebrations of Sr. Pauline Bridegroom of 60 years and Sr. Joetta Huelsmann of 50 years.

They ask that you remember them in your prayers as they celebrate these milestone years of vocation service in the Church. Their Eucharistic Celebration will take place on May 18th. If you would like to send a card, please feel free to do so:

Box #1, Donaldson, IN 46513.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

May 13: [Our Lady of Fatima] Acts 11: 1-18; Jn 10: 1-10

May 14: [St. Matthias, apostle] Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26; Jn 15: 9-17

May 15: [St. Isidore] Acts 12: 24 – 13: 5a; Jn 12: 44-50

May 16: Acts 13: 13-25; Jn 13: 16-20

May 17: Acts 13: 26-33; Jn 14: 1-6

May 18: [St. John I, pope & martyr] Acts 13: 44-52; Jn 14: 7-14

May 19: [Fifth Sunday of Easter] Acts 14: 21-27; Rv 21: 1-5a; Jn 13: 31-33a, 34-35

HELP FOR HELPING HANDS

St. John's will be collecting baby bottles for the Helping Hands Pregnancy Care Center in Montpelier. Bottles will be available at the church entrances. Fill your bottle with coins and/or cash and return it to church. Other baby items can be donated as well.

The center supports both mothers and fathers and their babies through education, programs and services with a Christian faith-based approach. They believe in the sanctity of every human life.

NEW-TO-YOU IS OPEN

Thursdays: 11-5, Fridays & Saturdays: 11-2

The shop is open with a new look and many new items collected over the winter months. Stop by to check out the new selections. As always, we appreciate our volunteers and the donations received.

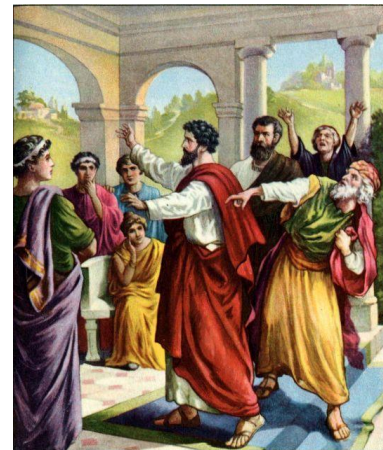
GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

ACTS 13:14, 43-52; PS 100: 1-3,5; REV 7:9, 14B-17; JN 10:27-30

Throughout the Easter season, our readings have given us glimpses into the life of the newborn Church and the bold witness of the early disciples in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to all who would listen. These disciples were the first to live a stewardship way of life and their example is as relevant today as it was 2,000 years ago.

In the First Reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, we catch up with Paul and Barnabas in Antioch. While they certainly have some success in reaching many people there with the message of salvation, others are downright infuriated by their words and send them packing. Yet, we read that "the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." Overall, it seems as if Paul and Barnabas had failed in Antioch. But this seeing failure has not robbed them of their joy. What's more, they are filled to the brim with the abundant gifts of the Holy Spirit. How is this possible?

It is only possible because Paul and Barnabas saw themselves as nothing more and nothing less than stewards of Christ and His Good News. This realization brought them freedom — to offer themselves and their lives to others for the sake of the Gospel. The "results" of their efforts were up to God.



This Spirit-filled, joy-filled life is available to all of us, all these years later. It can be achieved when we recognize, like Paul and Barnabas, that all we have and all we are is a gift from God, meant to be shared with others for His glory. Of course, living as God's stewards does not mean a life of ease or a life free of sacrifice. Sometimes the steward's life involves great challenges, requiring all the strength and love one has to give. But in the end there is simply no more satisfying way to live.

To see about a ride to Church call the Church office at 348-3889 or contact a Knight.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available by appointment as well as: St. Mary, the first Thursday 6:00-6:30pm St. John, the first Saturday 1:00-1:30pm and third Saturday after 5:00pm Mass.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Dave is available after Mass for anointing, or you may contact the parish office to arrange a time.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Sessions for children and youth (grades pre3-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

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PARISH REGISTRATION

Visitors are always welcome. Residents are invited to join the community by calling the parish office.

RCIA

People interested in knowing about the Catholic faith and way of life meet each week. Contact the parish office for information.