

St. Mary's Assumption Church

Bronson, Michigan 49028

PASTORAL TEAM:

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 Deacon Alan Sosinski, Permanent Deacon
 Deacon John Wielgos, Permanent Deacon

RECTORY:

Karen Ratkowski, Secretary
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 602 W. Chicago St.
 Bronson, MI 49028
 517-369-2120

RECTORY HOURS:

Monday - Thursday
8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

WEBSITE: stmarysbronson.org

The facilities, rental of gym and services of St. Mary's Assumption Parish are available to its active members. This includes use of the Church for Baptisms, Weddings, and other sacramental events and includes parishioner status in our parochial school. **Active membership is determined by three things: being registered in the parish for a sufficient period of time, faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days, and the use of the envelope system in support of the parish.** Baptismal Instructions and marriage instructions are by appointment (517-369-2120). Marriage Instructions and Marriage Discovery Weekend are requirements for anyone to be married at St. Mary's Assumption Church. Call the rectory to make arrangements at least six months in advance.

We the Parishioners of St. Mary's Assumption Parish, Bronson, acknowledge the mission of Christ on earth and know that our aim is to have God working through us. As a Christian community, we respond to the call of Jesus Christ to love each other as Jesus loves us and to celebrate the Eucharist, so as to be strengthened to accept the responsibility to serve rather than be served. Together we are committed to the spiritual, physical and educational welfare of those of our parish family and beyond.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Evening - 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday Morning - 9:30 a.m.
 Holydays - As Announced
 Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 9:00 a.m.
 Wednesday - Noon

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion - Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.
 Communion Service - Wednesday - 6:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturday - 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL:

Mrs. Angela Johnston, Principal
ajohnston@stmarybronson.org
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 204 Albers Rd.
 Bronson, MI 49028
 517-369-4625

SCHOOL WEBSITE: stmarybronson.org

PARISH COUNCIL - Rectory 517-369-2120
FINANCE COUNCIL - Stan Welch 517-617-3975
SCHOOL BOARD - Erin Ware 269-625-7202
ROSARY SOCIETY - Judy Carpenter 517-369-9226
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Tim Hemker 517-369-5365
CHRISTIAN SERVICE - Janet Cox 517-227-0901
DRE - John Stukey - 260-829-6243
YOUTH GROUP - Vicki Smith - 517-227-0054
MUSIC - Deb Wielgos - 517-369-1160
 Sharon Whitford - 269-432-4070
RCIA - Marcia Drennan - 517-317-4520
CEMETERY - Karen Ratkowski - 517-369-2120
VIRTUS(SAFE ENVIROMENT COORDINATORS) -
CHURCH - Deacon Al - 517-369-6335
SCHOOL - Angela Johnston - 517-369-4625

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO - COLDWATER:

Saturday Evening - 5:00 p.m. (4-27-19 through 10-26-19)
 Sunday Morning - 7:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
 Monday through Friday - 9:00 a.m.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA - UNION CITY:

Sunday Morning - 9:30 a.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

New families are always welcome.
 Please come to the rectory to register.
 Your cooperation is deeply appreciated!

Mass Schedule

St. Mary Assumption Church Bronson, Michigan

SATURDAY, May 25th

4:00 p.m. +CHARLES & GENI RZEPKA by Family

SUNDAY, May 26th - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 a.m. THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY & ROSARY

9:30 a.m. SPECIAL INTENTION OF OUR
2019 SENIOR GRADUATES

1:30 p.m. SPANISH MASS

MONDAY, May 27th

NO MASS

TUESDAY, May 28th

9:00 a.m. +JOSEPH LOSINSKI by Bunnee Smoker

6:30 p.m. SPECIAL INTENTION OF ST. MARY'S
EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES**WEDNESDAY, May 29th**

NOON +TOM LEISTER by John & Janet Cox

6:00 p.m. Rosary & Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion

6:30 p.m. COMMUNION SERVICE

THURSDAY, May 30th9:00 a.m. SPECIAL INTENTION OF ST. MARY'S
KINDERGARTEN GRADUATES**FRIDAY, May 31st**

9:00 a.m. +VIT LOSINSKI, JR by Dorothy Szafranski

6:00 p.m. SPANISH CONFIRMATION

SATURDAY, June 1st - FIRST SATURDAY

9:00 a.m. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

11:00 a.m. SPANISH FIRST COMMUNION

1:00 p.m. SPANISH BAPTISMS

4:00 p.m. SPECIAL INTENTION OF
DEACON JOHN AND DEB WIELGOS
(40TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY)**SUNDAY, June 2nd - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

9:00 a.m. THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY & ROSARY

9:30 a.m. +CHARLES & GENI RZEPKA by Family

1:30 p.m. SPANISH MASS

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY EVENING, June 1st

4:00 p.m. Lucy Marks, Kaitlyn Noble

SUNDAY MORNING, June 2nd

9:30 a.m. Catalina Medina, Valentina Medina

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

SATURDAY EVENING, June 1st

4:00 p.m. Al Cockrell, Joe Sobeske, Deacon

Corbin Grimes, Evelyn Grimes

SUNDAY MORNING, June 2nd

9:30 a.m. John Stuke, Terry Stuke, Deacon

Kevin Dules, Deb Rifenburg

READERS/LECTORS

SATURDAY EVENING, June 1st

4:00 p.m. Al Cockrell

SUNDAY MORNING, June 2nd

9:30 a.m. John Stuke

St. Mary's Church Offerings

Sunday, May 19, 2019

Envelopes	\$3,920.00
Loose Money	\$905.00
TOTAL	\$4,825.00
Education Fund	\$520.00
Spanish Mass.....	\$781.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$1,305.00

2019 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to all the parish families who have committed their support to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. To date, **109 families** have **pledged \$33,803** toward our **goal of \$46,300**. Because of you, all the diocesan spiritual, pastoral, educational, and charitable programs and services will continue. There are still some families who have not made their pledge - please prayerfully consider joining our parish family in this important initiative and make your pledge this week.

Thank you for your generous support of **THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION** which provides funds for six Catholic agencies who provide services for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/national-collection, and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

Please Pray For

Floyd Bekoski, Carol Campbell, Norma Cuellar,
Hans Geiger, Rita Achille Helmuth,
Joe Hansen, Betty Herman, Anne Houghton,
Bob Jeffry, Delphine Kibiloski, Len Kolcz,
Janet Losinski, Holly McConn, Fr. Jim O'Leary,
Helen Rubley, Julie Salek, Gary Sielken,
Mel Schottenloher, Sara Slone, Bert Smoker,
Reese Supianoski, Lorraine Sygnecki, Janet Voloski

Prayer Line
369-3465
Emergency Number
278-2650

St. Mary's School News

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020. If you are interested in having your children attend a school that praises God everyday then go to our school website:

www.stmarybronson.org and go under the parents tab and click on Renweb login and make an account to register. We would love to partner with you in educating your children and most importantly helping them to grow in their faith. You are also welcome to call me at the school office (517-369-4625) and I can answer any questions you may have.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 28th - Eighth Grade Graduation 6:30 p.m. Mass
May 30th - Kindergarten Graduation 9:00 a.m. Mass and last day of school for all students

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE BY BUD OZAR-

Today Jesus gives this advice: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Worry and anxiety can consume our lives preventing us from seeing the love which surrounds us and binds us to one another. Don't miss the forest for the trees. We are living today what we worried about yesterday.

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **ROBERT GREEN** who was buried from our church this past week. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



O God, let all the nations
praise you!

Parish News and Dates to Remember

There is a **YOUTH GROUP** meeting and pool party at the Smith home on Sunday, June 2nd from 4 - 9 p.m. Parents please attend the meeting at 4 p.m. to review the Mission Trip itinerary and information.

Ladies Rosary Society would like to congratulate **LORRAINE SYGNECKI** for winning their 50/50 drawing. Lorraine won \$217.00.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE is holding a **DIAPER AND BOTTLE DRIVE** during the month of May. The pack & play for depositing diapers will be at the **Albers Rd entrance**. The basket of bottles is there also. Thank you for all you do to help those in need. God Bless You for your generosity.

DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

OCTOBER 19, 2019
RADISSON HOTEL, KALAMAZOO, MI

COME TOGETHER FOR A CONVENING OF THE FAITHFUL

CALLING TOGETHER ALL THE FAITHFUL
TO MOVE FORWARD IN
MISSION AND DISCIPLESHIP

What is a Eucharistic Congress and why have one? A Eucharistic Congress is a gathering of the faithful by a local Church, either of those within the local area or the same region or same nation, centered on the Eucharist. The goal is to engage the faithful in a deeper relationship with God through the Eucharist, taking up initiatives important to the time, and permeating faith throughout those who attend so the Eucharist can influence the whole of personal and social living.

Who should attend? Priests, deacons, religious sisters, church personnel, school personnel, catechists, volunteers in ministry, all the lay faithful. Anyone who has an interest in keeping the faith alive in Southwest Michigan should attend.

News from Fr. Vyverman

Dear Parishioners,

On this Memorial Day weekend, we quickly shift gears into Graduation season as well. It's hard to believe that another school year is coming to an end. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all the graduates as they prepare to take another step in life, whether it's entry into high school or venturing out into the adult world of college or work.

As we reach this weekend, it also means that the school year is wrapping up in Branch County. The last day for St. Mary will be this coming Thursday and Friday is the final day for St. Charles. All of our students can be thankful for what they have learned this year and for our teachers and staff who have been very dedicated to the welfare of all who walk through our doors.

But don't forget the reason why we have this Memorial Day weekend. The freedom we enjoy today has been made possible by so many men and women who have served our country over the years and protected our values and freedom. Let us keep these men and women in our prayers as we remember the many sacrifices they made for us.

Thanks for reading!

Fr. Mark

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR. PAUL MAY 30TH

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On this Memorial Day Weekend we remember those who have died. Will you be remembered as someone who was aware of God's presence and shared this insight with others? In families our greatest possessions are the beliefs we share from one generation to the next.

MIDDLE SCHOOL 7/8 GRADE TEACHER

St. Mary's Assumption School, Bronson

Diocese of Kalamazoo

St. Mary's Assumption School is looking for an enthusiastic individual, who has a strong desire to help students grow spiritually, academically and socially, to join our school teaching team. Candidates will be responsible for 7th/8th grade all subjects.

Candidates should have a strong knowledge of Math, Social Studies, English, Science and Religion. We are seeking a candidate that can create, manage and participate in a learning environment and activities that provide opportunities for students to develop to their fullest potential and achieve their learning objectives. The candidates need to be organized and willing to work collaboratively and professionally with other faculty and staff to promote the general well-being of the school, and collective/individual interest of the staff and students. We are looking for candidates who understand the importance of professional learning through self-assessment, reflection on practice and professional conversations.

Requirements:

Bachelor's degree in Education

Teacher certification

Exhibits strong interpersonal and communication skills