

This Friday is the Anniversary of the Roe v Wade Supreme Court decision that essentially legalized abortion in the entire country. We are having our **24 hour Vigil for Life** with exposition and adoration, starting Thursday after 6pm Mass at St. Mary until final Benediction at 6pm Friday. Please come and give honor and glory to Our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for end to the scourge of abortion, pray for a respect for life at all stages, and offer reparation for the horror of so many innocent lives lost. We need to have two people for each hour. If you want to schedule an hour please call the office or call Martha at 740-607-7598. If you cannot commit, please feel free to stop in for an hour. If you cannot sleep, come on over in the night!!

Tomorrow is **Inauguration Day**. Pray that our President-elect will have a conversion of heart and act Catholic during his time in office, especially on Life issues, but also in all areas of governance. Take time during our 24 hour Vigil to come to St. Mary and pray for our country. The country is in great need of healing and a return to the Truth that is our Lord Jesus. The only hope for our country is the Catholic Church and Jesus Christ, which is where the fullness of Truth resides. Everything that is good, holy and beautiful flows from the graces given to the world through Holy Mother Church. A country that ostracizes, marginalizes or flat out denies the Church and the Truth of Christ is doomed to sliding into decadence and decay. We have seen this process already starting. Pray that our country's leaders will govern in accord with this fundamental principle.

Lent is approaching. Ash Wednesday is February 17 this year. I hope to have a schedule available within the next week. Remember to bring your old palms to Church, so they can be burned for ashes. We are hoping to have a Lenten Mission, and we will be having a penance service.

Fly the flag and pray for our President!!

Viva Christo Rey!!!!!!