

St. Mary Holy Week Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass:

Monday-Wednesday: 7:30 am (EF)

Maunder Thursday:

6:00 pm Office of Tenebrae

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper (EF)

Good Friday:

3:00 pm Mass of the Presanctified

6:00 pm Office of Tenebrae

Saturday Easter Vigil Mass:

10:00 pm (EF)

Sunday Easter Mass:

8:30 am (English); this Mass is for our “High Risk” parishioners. Use of face masks and hand sanitizer is mandatory.

10:00 am (English); 12:00 Noon (EF)

Confessions :

Good Friday: 9:00-11:00 am; 12:00-2:30 pm

Holy Saturday: 9:00-11:00 am; 6:00-8:00 pm

Emergency Food Distribution


In this chaotic time, many find themselves at risk for their food supplies and others wish to help out. Here are a few opportunities.

1. Loaves & Fishes
 - To arrange for boxed food pick up at L&F HQ, 901 Portage St., call: 269- 343-3663. For questions: info@kzoolf.org
 - L&F Mobile Food Initiative food drop off sites: <http://kzoolf.org/mobile-food-initiative/>
 - L&F delivery to Eastside seniors and disabled persons who cannot get out call Candy at the Eastside N’hood Assn @ 269-381-0700.
2. Catholic Charities Emergency Food Distribution
 - For those in need, contact Toni Newell, Supervisor of Community Outreach, at toninewell@ccdok.org or the Hot Line at 269-910-3390
 - To volunteer, contact Jeannine Boehm, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, at jeannineboehm@ccdok.org or 269-382-1234
3. Fresh Food Initiative
 - Boxed food pick-up every 2nd Wednesday of month at noon at **Eastside Neighborhood Association Center**, 1301 E. Main St. and Charlotte Ave.
 - Diapers are provided too (and wipes) Call Eastside office to arrange pick-up at (269) 381-0700
4. Fresh Fire AME Church Pantry
 - At 2508 Gull Rd; offers boxed food with parking lot pick up. Pre-register at 269-381-8050.
 - They are also looking for volunteers to help distribute.

May the Lord protect you and may you serve as an instrument of His Grace ~ Dcn. Pat (269-744-5136)



All Fridays in Lent are obligatory days of abstinence from eating meat. Ash Wednesday (Feb 17) and Good Friday (April 2) are obligatory days of both fasting and abstinence.



Saint Joseph’s Corner

Pope Francis has declared a Year of St. Joseph from Dec. 8, 2020 - Dec. 8, 2021. Each week, the bulletin will feature prayers or reflections on St. Joseph so you can grow in your relationship with the father of the Holy Family.

The prayer below dates back to the year 50 AD. It “has never been known to fail, provided that the request is for one’s spiritual benefit or for those whom we are praying for.” This is a novena prayer, meaning you are invited to pray it for 9 consecutive days for a specific intention.

An Ancient Novena Prayer to St. Joseph

O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interest and desires. O St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers. O St. Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him close in my name and kiss His fine head for me and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for me. Amen.

St. Mary’s Weekend of Mar 20/21

Weekly Collection	Mass Attendance
Weekly Goal \$5,675.00	Saturday, 4:00 pm 42
Collections..... \$3,814.00	Sunday, 8 am 72
E-giving..... \$950.00	Sunday, 10 am 153
Total \$4,764.00	Sunday, 12 Noon 108
Goal Percentage83.9%	Weekend Total 375
<i>This week in 2020.....</i>	<i>This week in 2020.....</i>
<i>..... (data not available)</i>	<i>..... (data not available)</i>

Respect Life Ministry

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PRAYED ON THE SIDEWALK OF PLANNED PARENTHOOD AND ALL WHO PRAYED AT HOME DURING THE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN.



For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. ~ Psalm 139:13-14

Ladies, will you come and join us?
Are you looking for a way to serve our Parish Community?

The Ladies Sodality of St. Mary's will be returning in service to our Parish. Our first meeting will be on Monday, April 12th, at 6:30 pm in the gym at Father Bart Hall. By meeting in the gym, it will allow us enough room to practice social distancing. I ask that everyone please wear a mask.

At this meeting we will be discussing how we can move forward and begin to rebuild our community as we continue to serve our Parish. So far, we have been requested to help with an event in May, so we need to find out who will be willing to take part in this service project.

I am praying that we can get a good turn-out for this first meeting. Please join us and bring your friends and ideas for ways to serve our parish community.

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Ladies Sodality President
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Knights of Columbus

As Catholic men, we are called to do more. The Knights of Columbus can help you answer that call. Your membership connects you with opportunities to make an impact in your community and gives you access to resources to help you grow deeper in faith and stay informed about the issues Catholics care about. You'll also have exclusive access insurance and financial planning products to help you protect your family. JOIN TODAY at: www.kofc.org/apps/joinus/en/registration/index.html



Your Prayers Are Needed

Please pray for the sick & homebound of our parish as well as their dedicated caregivers:

Catherine Hill
Roger "RJ" Davis
Darin Luchies
Chuck Pike
Brandon Buxton
Trula Springman
Gary J. Dominowski

Jan Hall
Lou and Chris Hernandez
Joel Ziolkowski
Sid Shane
Linda Barrett
Ed Keto
Rosemary MacKenzie

Jeffrey Woodhouse
Ray Brandt
John and Mary Gazi
Matt Hall
Joy Stefanski
Gaynell and Roy Breeding
Mary Myers

Ron Smith
Gary Brown

Call the parish office if you know someone who should be added to this list.



Please help me build a Gaga Ball Pit

My name is Liam Crookston, and I am a Life Rank Scout of BSA Troop 234. Father José has agreed to let me build a Gaga Ball pit on the site of the old school near the picnic tables for my Eagle Scout Project. Gaga ball is a very popular active game that both children and adults enjoy. The materials cost about \$1000. Will you help with a contribution? One way is to donate clean, empty soda and beer cans for deposit. These can be left in a container outside of church, but please rinse them out first so that they won't spread sickness or attract vermin. If you want to make a cash contribution, please drop it into the collection box in an envelope marked "gaga pit". Checks can be made out to St. Mary Parish with "gaga pit" on the memo line. Any money that I collect that I won't need for the project will be returned to the parish. Thank you for your help. You may email me if you have a question (liamicrookston@gmail.com), or my grandma (judykc121@yahoo.com).



Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis requests our support for the Pontifical Good Friday Collection on April 2. The COVID 19 pandemic has added to the complex political, religious and military challenges faced by Christian communities in the Holy Land. This collection, a sign of our solidarity, enables them to continue their evangelical presence, provide humanitarian aid to refugees, and maintain schools and social structures that assist all citizens with health care, education, and peaceful coexistence, attending above all to the weakest and poorest. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.