

St. John, St. Mary, Visitation Churches

Mass Schedule for October 3rd – 11th

Sat. 3 rd 5:00 p.m.	Martha Copenhaver (Visn) (Fr. GV)
Sun. 4 th 7:45 a.m.	Parishioners (SM) (Fr. DD)
Sun. 4 th 9:45 a.m.	Eileen Green (SJ) (Fr. DD)
Sun. 4 th 11:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased of the Furrey Family (Visn) (Fr. DD)
Mon. 5 th 9:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased of the Vonderhaar Family (Visn)
Tues. 6 th 9:00 a.m.	Frank Howard Copenhaver (Visn)
Wed. 7 th 12 noon	Jeanette Perkins (Visn)
Wed. 7 th 6:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased of the Subler/Moore/Hubacher Families (Visn)
Thurs. 8 th 9:00 a.m.	Holy Souls in Purgatory (Visn)
Fri. 9 th 9:00 a.m.	Intention of Norma Gels (Visn)
Sat. 10 th 5:00 p.m.	John & Catherine Cahill (Visn) (Fr. GV)
Sun. 11 th 7:45 a.m.	Teresa Schatzel (SM) (Fr. DD)
Sun. 11 th 9:45 a.m.	Ruth Fliehman (SJ) (Fr. DD)
Sun. 11 th 11:30 a.m.	Parishioners (Visn) (Fr. DD)

Confessions Saturday 4:00 – 4:30pm Visitation

Wednesday 5:00-6:00 pm Visitation

Parish Council

October 5 Visitation 7:00-8:00 p.m.

October 12 St. Mary 7:30-8:30 p.m.

October 19 St. John 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Holy Hour

October 8th St. Mary 6:30-8:00 p.m.

October 15th St. John 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Pet Blessing

On Sunday evening **October 4th at 5:00PM** on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, at **St. John Church in New Paris**, we will have an outdoor **"Pet Blessing"**. Any pet that is safe to be around other people and other animals is welcome. We will gather in the parking lot and overflow in the large grass area for any larger animals. Owner is responsible for cleaning up after your pet. Fr. David and his pet dog, Brooklyn, will be handing out a few treats and look forward to praising God for a year of blessing for all our pets.

Thank you for your continued support of our parishes through mail and online donations.

Collections were not counted by the deadline for the bulletin.

Pray the Rosary Nationwide for our county!

Join us in Cincinnati at The Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains on October 11th, 2020. 325 West 8th Street Cincinnati, OH 45202 Rosary Rally will be held on the steps of the Cathedral Basilica. Bring a lawn chair if needed. Meditation given by Fr. Ethan Moore at 3:30 pm, Rosary at 4:00 pm. For more information visit: RosaryCoastToCoast.com

St. Mary's Ladies Sodality

As you know St. Mary's Ladies Sodality has had a yard sale every year to get operating money. BUT, this year Covid 19 put an end to it and most likely the Christmas Auction. This leaves the sodality with no money coming in. SO, we are going to try something new.

For the next 2-3 weeks we will place items on the benches of the annex side of the church. If there is anything you would like, take it. All we ask is that you give us a donation of some kind. There will be containers and people to receive your donations. All items will be available on Sundays after Mass.

We hope you will join us and be kind.

Rosary Rally

On **Saturday - October 10 @ Noon** at **Our Lady's Grotto for the Unborn (next to Visitation of BVM, Church)**, we will be hosting a **Rosary Rally**. Bring a friend, your own lawn chair, and pray the Rosary together (weather permitting).

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Friends in Christ,

During the month of October, we seek to understand and respect life from conception to natural death. We pray for many intrinsic evils to stop, such as, the preeminent issue of our day and age with the evil of “pro-choice” and “abortion” that is being seen as a fundamental human right. The defense and protection of all human life, especially the unborn and their mothers, fathers, and families remains the top issue in our American culture and society. We must be informed when we vote in our upcoming election on the issue of human life and vote to respect life in all its stages. Life is under attack at every moment of human development in our public policies, medical care, and outreach to brothers and sisters. Pope John Paul’s masterfully articulated defense of the right to life for children in their mothers’ wombs, the elderly, persons with disabilities, and the marginalized is more relevant today than ever before. I would encourage everyone during this month of October to read and reflect on all the issues facing our world today. Especially read and reflect upon the Encyclical, “*Humanae Vitae* (Human Life)” which helps us all to grow in appreciation for and stronger defense of the precious gift of human life. Pope Francis also said that abortion is not primarily a Catholic or even a religious issue, it is first and foremost a human rights issue. The Gospel of Life provides a blueprint for building a culture of life and civilization of love. The important work of transforming our culture begins by allowing the Gospel of Christ to touch and transform our own hearts and the decisions we make. I think of all those men and women who are wondering if abortion is an option for them right now. They and all expectant mothers are in need of our support and prayers. May we strive to imitate Christ and follow in his footsteps, caring for the most vulnerable among us.

God love you,
Fr. David Doseck

Each Sunday morning during the month of October the Rosary will be said at 9:20 a.m. prior to Mass and each Tuesday evening at 5:00 p.m. at St. John.

“TELL ME MORE” information for PROSPECTIVE VOLUNTEERS will be held at BIRTHRIGHT, 305 South 6th Street, Richmond, IN on Tuesday, October 6th at 6:30 p.m. This “NO STRINGS ATTACHED” meeting will address our work and upcoming training classes. If you are interested in becoming a part of the Birthright family serving the unborn and their moms, please come. Questions: call Cathy- 765-977-4130 or Debbie 765-977-4266

Option for the Poor & Vulnerable

iVoteCatholic: During this week, we focus on Option for the Poor and Vulnerable. “Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you...” (Matt 25:31). Scripture reminds us that some people’s needs are so urgent and so great that their needs come first. Therefore, while everyone is important, those whose voice in our society is ignored, those whose human rights are violated, those whose dignity is not recognized, must take our first priority. When we enter into the lives and the struggles of the poor and vulnerable, we experience Jesus’ presence in a real and powerful way. We need to remember in this principle persons who are elderly, disabled, marginalized, vulnerable, formerly incarcerated or otherwise discriminated against or disadvantaged. Under this principle fall issues such as addiction, mental health, healthcare, and systems that perpetuate poverty. Find out more at www.iVoteCatholic.org.

MAKE HEAVEN CROWDED

Family Praise and Worship

Sunday, October 4, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Visitation.

Prayer for the Unborn Heavenly Father, in Your love for us, protect against the wickedness of the devil, those helpless little ones to whom You have given the gift of life. Touch with pity the hearts of those women pregnant in our world today who are not thinking of motherhood made for Help them to see that the child they carry is made in Your image - as well as theirs - eternal life. Dispel their fear and selfishness and give them true womanly hearts to love their babies and give them birth and all the needed care that a mother can give. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen