St. Mary's Fall Festival
September 11th-13th

Chicken Dinner
Sunday
11:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
Cost: $8.00 Adults,
$5.00 kids 12 and under

5K Race
Saturday at 9:30 a.m.
Parade
Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

RAFFLE
1st Prize—$1000.00
2nd Prize-$500.00
3rd Prize—$250.00
4th Prize-$200.00
5th Prize- $100.00
6th Prize- $100.00

RICS & CRAFTS

BOOK NOOK

Basketball Free
Throw & Hot
Shot Contest
50/50 cash prize

Spaghetti Dinner
Friday: 4:30—7:00 pm
$5—Adults $3-Kids (2 & under free) $20 family

BINGO
Feather Bingo
Saturday— 5:45 p.m.
Doors open at 4:45 p.m.
Regular Bingo
Sunday at 12 noon

SILENT AUCTION
closes at 2:00 p.m. Sunday

EUCHRE
TOURNAMENT
Friday—7:00 pm
Doors open at 6:00 pm

Kids Games
Saturday & Sunday
11:30 a.m.—4 pm

FARMERS MARKET

CONCESSION

SATURDAY
9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Sunday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
**The 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Mass Intentions**

Monday, Sept. 14th—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
7:00 p.m.—for the repose of the soul of Roberta Miller
Req. by Kris Finger

Tuesday, Sept. 15th—Our Lady of Sorrows
8:30 a.m.—for the spiritual & material well being of Greg Swartz

Wednesday, Sept. 16th—St. Cornelius & Cyprian
8:30 a.m.—for the repose of the souls of Al & Irene Horvath
req. by Ron & Barb Horvath

Thursday, Sept. 17th—St. Robert Bellarmine
6:00 p.m.—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 p.m.—for the repose of the soul of Paul Milhisler, Birthday Remembrance, req. by Sandy Michalek

Friday, Sept. 18th
8:30 a.m. for the living and deceased members of St. Mary’s Altar Society

Sat., Sept. 19th—St. Januarius
8:30 a.m.—for the repose of the soul of Joe Griffith
4:30 p.m.—for the repose of the soul of Bob Freed
Req. by his family

Sunday, Sept. 20th—Catechetical Sunday & Mission Appeal
8:00 a.m.—for the repose of the soul of Victor P. Shaffer
Req. by Bill & Yvonne Leech
10:30 a.m.—for the People of the Parish

**The Vigil Candle is:** in loving memory of Ross DeLau
Req. by Jerry & Jerry McDevitt

**The Sanctuary Candle is:** in loving memory of Paul Milhisler
Req. by Sandy Michalek

---

**Giving Is Worship**

Adult Envelopes Sunday & Holy Days $2,424.00
Loose Money 43.50
Student Envelopes 1.00
PayPal Donations 50.00
All Other Income 366.18
Total: 2,884.68

**Special Collections:**

SCRIP 0.00

Adult Sunday Envelope count includes make-up Envelopes. Your generosity and support in giving what you can, including sending in missed weeks, is greatly appreciated.

**Online Giving:** You may now make your weekly/monthly Sunday offertory and Faith Formation Building Fund donations online using Paypal. Please go to our website at: stmarymorrice.org, in the upper right hand box that says “Online Giving” click on the account you’d like to make your payment to and follow the directions on the page. We thank you for your support!

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Help our less fortunate neighbors by donating to St. Vincent’s. We work with other local groups to help with rent, utilities, prescriptions and other needs. Envelopes are in the church entrance. Make checks payable to: St. Vincent de Paul.

**Food Bank Collection:** The first weekend of every month non perishable food, supplies and monetary donations which help with gas & electric bills, are collected for our area food bank. Please bring your donations to the church vestibule. Make checks payable to: Perry/Morrice/Shaftsburg Food Bank.

---

**“I will walk before the Lord, in the land of living.”**

As I was sitting in my office and reading the bible for this weekends Mass, so many memories flooded my mind. This morning I said Mass and prayed for the people, who perished in New York on the 11th of September, 2001. Billions of people saw this evil act on the television. People saw the face of evil. Evil is dark and ugly. Evil is filled with hatred. This day more than six thousand innocent people were killed by evil people. They left their homes as usual and said to their loved ones, “see you in the evening”. They went to their work places to make a living. But they never returned and will never return again. Evil men snubbed out their lives. There are evil people in the world. They want to kill freedom loving Americans and people from free countries. But we should not be afraid of these evil ones. Let us call these evil ones by their names. They are terrorists.

Let me take you to the Gospel for this Sunday. This is the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary time. The Gospel is taken from St. Mark. It provides for us a scene where our Lord Jesus and his disciples were in the place of Caesarea Philippi. Our Lord put this profound question to the disciples. The question was, “Who do people say that I am?” They told the Lord, what they were hearing from the people. Some people say that Jesus is John the Baptist; others say that he is Elijah, and still others say that he is one of the prophets. It was ok that the people have different views about Jesus. It was ok with him. But he wanted to know what the disciples thought, who Jesus is? So he turns toward them and asked this question, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter said to him, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” The gospel says that he warned them not to tell anyone about him.

The Gospel tells us that he taught them what is going to happen. He said to them, “The Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed and rise after three days.” Peter was shocked and saddened by this revelation of Jesus’s earthly life. He could not take it. Peter wished that nothing of what was said will happen to Jesus. Peter loved Jesus very much. But Jesus rebuked Peter. Jesus rebuked Peter and called him Satan. This means that Peter is not accepting the plan of God for Jesus.

The closing part of the Gospel is the invitation of Jesus to the people. Jesus invited the people and said to them, “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the Gospel will save it.” This is the invitation for us today. Let us follow our Lord Jesus, by taking up our crosses. Our crosses will appear in different shape and forms, let us not be afraid of it. Our Lord is carrying our crosses with us.

Fr. John

---

**Development Fund**

**Pledges and Donations for our Faith Formation Center**

Current Pledge amount: $175,309.12
Current Paid amount: $174,209.12
K of C Council #8735 meets the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Our next meeting is: Wednesday, September 16th

Grand Knight, Ross Demerly

Knight of the Month: Dale Harlacher

Family of the Month: Marty & Julie Finucane

Knight of the Year: Pat Grennell

We welcome back our students and Catechists for Religious Education grades K—8th on Sept. 20th and High School along with our Adult Catechists for RCIA on Sept. 27th. We would like to commission our Catechists and RCIA instructors at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sept. 20th. With gratitude and God’s blessing they are:

Yvonne Romp—Combined K—2nd
Justine Koncny—3rd
Angela Chapko—4th
Beth Corbit—5th/6th
Shawna Hessling—7th
Stacey Matthews—8th
Rose Spencer—High School
Jennifer Moses—Children’s Liturgy of the Word
Chris Koncny—Crafts
Julie London—Crafts
Marie Lewis—RCIA
Jerry McDavitt—RCIA
Susan Baldwin—RCIA
Kathy Wilsson—RCIA
Elizabeth Poe—RCIA
Sue Grennell—RCIA

Parents should bring their students to their classroom in the lower church and turn in registrations at the sign up area. Class will begin following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at approximately 9:10 a.m. and conclude at 10:20 a.m. to ensure enough time for those attending the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

For those with High School students, we ask that you attend the first 15 minutes of their first session on Sept. 27th for an overview of the curriculum being taught.

For our Parish at large, we ask that you keep our students and instructors in your prayers, and the success of our New Faith Formation Building, dedicated to St. Joseph in your prayers and ask for the conversion of the hearts in our Communities where others can be lead to Jesus through our Parish. God St. Joseph, pray for us!

We will be beginning the Book of Mark soon. If you would like a study guide, please contact Marie Lewis.

Congratulations! Will and Rita Sinn will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sept. 18th. May God continue to bless you with many more happy years.

The Perry, Morrice, Shaftsbury Food bank thanks the people of St. Mary’s for their faithful dedication to make monthly donations. Your donations of food, non-perishables and money help many who are in need in our local Community. Thank you!

Pray for the repose of the soul of: Ben Hensel, Sr., father of Ben (Sandy) Hensel, who recently passed away. Please keep her family in your prayers as well during this time of loss.

Mission Appeal Weekend
Sept. 19th and 20th
We will take up a second collection at each Mass.
**Watkins Brothers Funeral Homes**

Perry: 517-625-3177  
Laingsburg: 517-651-5415  
Durand: 989-288-3106  
Bancroft: 989-634-5222  
Owosso: 989-725-7171  
Corunna: 989-743-3456

**David Stewart**  
Attorney at Law  
Personal Injury•Social Security•Disability•Workers Compensation•Automobile Negligence

**NEAL, NEAL & STEWART, P.C.**  
4500 E. Court St.  
P.O. Box 90379  
Burton, MI 48509  
Office: Phone (810)767-8800  
Fax (810)767-8958  
Toll Free: 1 (800) 383-5949

**JAMES G. MORGAN, D.O.**  
*Family Practice*• Sports Physicals*  
*Treatment for Diabetes, Weight Loss & Fatigue*  
*Promoting Energy and Good Health*

3809 Lansing Rd., Perry  517-625-4155

**Generations Tent Rental**

Tents • Tables • Chairs  
517 • 325 • 3487

Tim, Pat & Matt O’Bryant - Owners

**Advertising Costs:**  
$150.00 per year medium ad  
$250.00 per year large ad

**ST. MARY’S ALTAR SOCIETY**

Meets 2nd Tuesday of every month  
Oct.—May, at 7 pm  
All Ladies of the Parish  
Welcome!

"Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. 0 Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me." Amen

**Respect LIFE**

"The love of God does not distinguish between the newly conceived infant, the youth, the grown adult or elderly, because in each of them He sees the sign of His own image and likeness”  
-Pope Benedict XVI

**Advertising Costs:**  
$150.00 per year medium ad  
$250.00 per year large ad

**SPALDING INSURANCE AGENCY**

Perry - 625-4141  
East Lansing - 337-3200

Tammy A. Mika, D.D.S.  
William P. Horal, D.D.S.  
Richard Halliday, D.D.S.

**John Fisher**  
Owner

**Construction & Demolition**

Demolition, Backhoe work, Bulldozing, Backfilling, Landscape Materials and More!  
2183 W. Hubbard Rd.  
Owosso, MI 48867  
Ph. 989 723 3152  
Fax 989 723 2499

**Advertising Costs:**  
$150.00 per year medium ad  
$250.00 per year large ad

**McDonald’s of Perry**

Owners: Bob & Mary Van Poppelen

**McDonald’s of Durand**

Owner: Travis Van Poppelen