

# ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Ministry Contact Persons

Secretary: Beverly Edwards  
Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Hoover  
Lectors: Arlene Lewis  
Music: Barb Braley  
RCIA: Katie Herendeen  
Religious Education: Barb Braley  
Servers: Melissa Cass  
Ushers: Bryan Cass

## Parish Organizations

Rosary/Altar Society: Henrietta Harris  
Finance: Jonathan Ormiston  
Pastoral Council: Michael Edwards  
Cemetery: Bryan Cass  
Bldg. & Grounds: Mark Bush and Tom Sherwood  
Knights of Columbus: Tom Peters  
Scrip: Brandy Teders  
Youth: Eve Peters

## St. Mary School

Phone: 260-897-3481  
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Website: [stmaryavilla.org](http://stmaryavilla.org)  
Principal: Mrs. Jane Sandor  
Secretary: Sara Lake  
School Board: Jill Dunkel  
HASA: Kim Heshner

## SACRAMENTS

**Marriage:** Active registered parishioner(s) arrange for an appointment with the pastor six months prior to wedding date. A wedding must be celebrated in church.

**Baptism:** Call pastor to provide information, sacramental preparation and schedule the date & time of the Baptism.

**Ministry to Sick and Shut-ins:** Notify the pastor to arrange for visits to the sick or shut-ins, the reception of Communion and/or the Anointing of the Sick. If you are going to the hospital for surgery, the Anointing of the Sick can be received. If you are sick or undergoing surgery, let us know and we will include you in our prayers at Mass and on the parish Prayer Chain.

**Reconciliation:** Sat. 4:00-4:45, by appointment and scheduled Penance Services.

**ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**AVILLA, INDIANA**  
**January 15, 2017**  
**SECOND SUNDY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**January 16-22**

**Monday** No Mass  
**Tuesday** No Mass  
**Wednesday** No Mass  
**Thursday** No Mass  
**Friday** No Mass  
**Saturday** 5:00 pm LeRoy & Loretta Sherwood  
**Sunday** 8:00 am Special Intentions of J.B.  
11:00 am St. Mary Parishioners

**MASS MINISTERS**  
**January 21 & 22**

**USHERS**

**Sat 5 pm** Mark Bush and Brian Myers  
**Sun 8 am** Ed Smith and David Helmer  
**Sun 11 am** Ralph Stark and Josh Edwards

**READERS**

**Sat 5 pm** Rob Diffenderfer and Michelle Myers  
**Sun 8 am** Jim and Teresa Breckler  
**Sun 11 am** Brenda Weber and Katie Herendeen

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Sat 5 pm** Dennis & Jan Hudecek, Tom & Barb Sherwood  
**Sun 8 am** Ben & Brenda Helmkamp, Chad Helmkamp, Monte Van Gessel  
**Sun 11 am** Beverly Edwards, Kim Heshner, Jenny Litchfield, Bryan Cass

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**January 16-22**

**MONDAY**

Heb 5:1-10, Mk 2:18-22

**TUESDAY**

Heb 6:10-20, Mk 2:23-28

**WEDNESDAY**

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17, Mk 3:1-6

**THURSDAY**

Heb 7:25-8:6, Mk 3:7-12

**FRIDAY**

Heb 8:6-13, Mk 3:13-19

**SATURDAY**

Heb 9:2-3, 11-14, Mk 3:20-21

**SUNDAY**

Is 8:23-9:3, 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17  
Mt 4:12-23

**COLLECTION TOTALS**

**January 7 & 8, 2017**

**Adult** \$4,506.00 **Loose** \$381.00

**Children** \$19.61

**Total Envelopes Issued:** 220

**# of Envelopes Used this Week:** 101

**Weekly Contribution Budget:** \$8,508.00

**Special Collections**

**Vigil Lights** \$44.50

**Improvement Fund** \$276.00

**Parish Savings** \$90.00

**Christmas** \$105.00

**First Offering** \$112.00

**Solemnity of Mary** \$10.00

**Retired Religious Fund** \$5.00

Please welcome Father John J. O'Malley, O.P. who will celebrate Mass and speak at all Masses this weekend on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry.

**Annual Bishop's Appeal Update:** Thanks to a generous donation St. Mary has reached our 2017 Annual Bishop's Appeal!! Thank you to all who helped reached our goal. May God continue to bless you and your family.

**Free Desks** There are two teacher's desks that have been upgraded at St. Mary School. The old ones are in good condition and are looking for a new home. If you are interested, please contact the school office right away at 897-3481.

**Homework Hotline** is a free service that is ready to provide help to students in math and science. The tutors are trained Rose-Hulman students, available Sunday-Thursday, 7:00 –10:00 pm (EST) to take students calls at 877-ASK-ROSE. Classroom resources available on [www.AskRose.org](http://www.AskRose.org) for both teachers and students.

**St. Mary School**  
**Open House**  
**Sunday, January 29, 2017**  
*with*  
**Breakfast Buffet**  
**9:00 - 11:00 am**  
**Free Will Offering**

Proceeds go to Life & Family Services, Kendallville  
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and Altar Rosary Society

**St. Mary School News** Students and staff of St. Mary School would like to invite you to an Open House and breakfast buffet on Sunday, January 29th from 9:00—11:00 am. Please come visit and see what a wonderful gift we have in our Catholic education. Registration for the 2017-2018 school year begin that Sunday for Pre K—8th grade. We hope to see you there!

We are starting to plan events for Catholic Schools Week which is Sunday, January 29th—Friday, February 3rd. If there is any parent or grandparent who would be willing to share a special talent or skill (for example painting, playing an instrument, speaking another language, etc.) with the staff and students by giving a demonstration, performance, or talk on Wednesday, February 1st, please contact Mrs. Lake in the office at 897-3481.

Do you have gently used toys, books, puzzles, games, etc. that you no longer want? We would love to have them for our Mission Party that supports the missions of the Franciscan Sisters. These items can be donated by dropping them off at the school **starting Monday, January 30th, during regular school hours.**

Thank you to everyone who has sent in School Spirit labels from the Aunt Millie's bread products. Just clip and save the proof-of-purchase symbols (UPCs) with the School Spirit symbol from eligible products (please do not send the entire bread bag) and drop them off at the school office during regular school hours. With the amount collected last time, St. Mary Fine Arts program received a check for \$36.00. Keep clipping!

**SAT/ACT prep course** is being offered at Bishop Dwenger High School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-7:00 pm beginning Tuesday, January 17th. The 14 sessions will include test familiarity, pacing, strategies, as well as a review of English, Math, and Science concepts. For registration visit [www.bishopdwenger.com/Testing](http://www.bishopdwenger.com/Testing).

**Invisible Women, Invisible Earth: A Women's Spirituality Retreat** on Friday, January 27 at 7:00 pm—Saturday, January 28 at 4:00 pm., at Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center of Goshen College, Wolf Lake, IN. The retreat includes biblical input, time outdoors connecting with creation, conversation with other women, and quiet time alone. Keynote speaker will be Jackie Wyse-Rhodes, an Old Testament scholar at Bluffton University. Registration is \$50; students \$20. This includes input, lodging, breakfast and lunch. Please register online at <https://www.goshen.edu/merrylea/> by January 24th or call 260-799-5869.

**7th Annual Diocesan Men's Conference *REKINDLE THE FIRE*** on Saturday, February 18th at the Century Center, South Bend, IN. Featured speakers will be Patrick Madrid, Doug Barry and Chris Padgett. Interactive sessions, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, Mass with Bishop Rhoades, Catholic vendors. Cost is \$45.00 which includes lunch. Registration is quick and easy at [RekindleTheFire.net](http://RekindleTheFire.net)

**Zoo Summer Volunteer and Leadership Opportunity Program** for teens 13-17 years of age to receive hands-on experience volunteering at a zoo. This program is a great way for teens to serve their community as well as to explore a potential career option. The online application can be accessed on the zoo website at <http://kidszoo.org/support-the-zoo/volunteering/teen-volunteers/>. This is a competitive application process with deadline of February 28, 2017. For additional information or questions, please contact Kathy Terlizzi at 260-427-6828 or [volunteer@kidszoo.org](mailto:volunteer@kidszoo.org).

**Travel to the Holy Land with Redeemer Radio Odysseys.** You're invited to join Fr. Jason Freiburger and Fr. Christopher Lapp on Redeemer Radio's first international pilgrimage to The Holy Land on September 11-19, 2017. An informational session will be hosted on Wednesday, January 18th at ST. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Ft. Wayne, at 6:00 pm in the Mother Teresa room through parish office door #2. Learn more and reserve your seat on the plane. RSVP, if possible, by emailing [travel@redeemerradio.com](mailto:travel@redeemerradio.com), or call Tina at 260-436-2482.

















