

Important Scrip message this weekend

Father Dave Voors, 724-9159

SCRIP: Saving Some Money, Helping in the Process

Would YOU eat, drink, get gas...and a whole lot more...while helping others in the process? Sure! Yep! Wouldn't everyone? Well, I invite you to listen carefully to the talk this weekend on SCRIP. By using SCRIP coupons as "REAL MONEY" you can bring support to HAITI, SCHOOL TUITION, BOOH or PRO-LIFE.

New Padded Seats

Making a Holy Hour with God has become a whole lot easier! Many have asked about the NEW PADDED SEATS which have been placed on a few of the pews in Church. It has been mentioned how nice they are! They are a bit expensive, so we only got a few (thanks again to the Hispanic Society for helping in this way)!. So, if you need a "bit of padding" as you come in to pray and reflect, look for these special padded pews. P.S. If you wish to purchase a padded seat for the pew you often sit in, give Judy Converset or Al Rauch a call.

Prayers for Pope Benedict XVI: A Good Reminder to Each One of Us

Recently a "spiritual bouquet" was sent to our Holy Father, Pope Benedict.

It included the following:

- ▶ 24,714 Masses Offered by Priests
- ▶ 264,179 Holy Rosaries
- ▶ 439,413 General Prayers
- ▶ 137,363 Divine Mercy Chaplets
- ▶ 108,716 Mass Intentions
- ▶ 19,713 Novenas
- ▶ 31,847 Days of Fasting
- ▶ 44,357 Eucharistic Holy Hours



With Pope Benedict's upcoming trip to Great Britain, let's join with others in offering our prayers!

PRAY THE ROSARY

for World Peace and Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
Joyful Mysteries (Monday, Saturday)
Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesday, Friday)
Glorious Mysteries (Wednesday, Sunday)
Luminous Mysteries (Thursday)
EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION
God's Presence to Bless us!

4:00-5:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
9:00-10:00 a.m., 3:00-8:00 p.m. every Thursday
Stop by St. Mary's daily for prayer!

Faith can be Protected: The Need for Truth and Knowledge!

Are YOU interested in learning more about the wonders of the Catholic Faith? Did you wish you knew more to share God's Love and Truth with others? Consider the following - read On:

Education for Ministry is a two-year program offering a rich foundation in Theology and Religious Studies for parish lay ministers or adults who wish to grow in knowledge of their Catholic Faith. The Diocesan Office of Catechesis will begin a new program this August on Wednesday evenings in Fort Wayne. For more information or to request a brochure and/or an application call Connie Bruner in the Office of Catechesis at 1-260-399-1439 or e-mail her at:

www.cbruner@fw.diocesefwsb.org

Is Someone Reading This Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Classes for learning the teachings and beauty of the Catholic Faith (RCIA) will begin in September. Give SISTER MARGARET ROSE a call 724-3440.

Remember St. Mary's Parish and St. Joseph School

The Faith is strong through our response. God places upon our hearts His love. He asks us to respond. The Catholic Faith, St. Mary's Parish and St. Joseph School is that response in a most wonderful way. Our sacrificial weekly support and our remembering St. Mary of the Assumption Parish in our wills and estate will keep us financially secure. Thank you!

Devotion to Our Lady of Medjugorje: Message from July 25, 2010

It is thought by many that in the small community of Medjugorje, Bosnia, the Virgin Mary has been sharing since 1981 messages of encouragement and God's love. This is the message said to be given on July 25, 2010:

"Dear children! Anew I call you to follow me with joy. I desire to lead all of you to my Son, your Savior. You are not aware that without Him you do not have joy and peace, nor a future or eternal life. Therefore, little children, make good use of this time of joyful prayer and surrender. Thank you for having responded to my call."

From the desk of Sr. Margaret Rose

Sr. Margaret Rose Donnelly, SSND
724-9159 or 724-3440
mdonnelly@stmarysdecatur.org

Sacrament of the Sick

The healing Sacrament of the Sick is available for those in need of this healing sacrament the Tuesday, August 2nd during the 8:15 a.m. Mass. The sacrament can be received at any time in case of an emergency by calling the parish office. Please sit in the front reserved pews.

Mass at Woodcrest

Are you aware that Mass at Woodcrest, using the Sunday readings, is celebrated every Friday afternoon at 1:30 pm. for the residents of Woodcrest and a growing number of parishioners? Mass is celebrated in the chapel and is usually thirty to thirty-five minutes long. Parishioners are welcome.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

In about six weeks our next session of RCIA begins so now is the time to call for an appointment to discover the answer to questions about the Catholic faith that you have been wondering about or are not quite certain. The RCIA has something for everyone... for persons unbaptized, those baptized Christians in another faith desiring to learn more about the Catholic faith, Catholics who have been baptized but who have not completed their sacraments of initiation and for practicing Catholics who would like to learn more about their faith. Most sponsors are grateful for the update of faith. It is a wonderful process for all involved. Before sessions begin in early September, it is necessary to have a meeting with me so that you can be registered and learn more about the program. Please give me a call at 724-9159 or 724-34340 to arrange for a half hour meeting.



Harvest House Trip to Bear Creek Farms

We are leaving for Bear Creek Farms, dinner and the play, "On The Road Again" on Thursday, August 4th at 11:00 p.m. Anyone in need of a ride please meet in the 5th Street parking lot by 11:00 a.m. If you have room in your car for one or two more, please stop off at the parking lot before leaving to make sure that all are provided with transportation.

We Remember in Prayer

We come to you, Father, for the healing needed within our lives at this time. Draw us close to You that we may feel your Divine Presence and know that you are near. Hear us as we pray not only for our own needs but for the needs of others.

- Daniel Meyer, 758 W. 450 N., Decatur, Indiana
Lutheran Hospital – possible additional surgery
- Kathleen Hammond, 950 E. 900 N., Decatur – Parkview Hospital

Norma O'Shaughnessey, Chuck Henkenius, Virginia Garcia, Bill Baker, Kathleen Hammond, Nora Niblick, Marianna Tharp, Florence O'Shaughnessey, Rosemary Gremaux, Ramona Brown, Bill Rumschlag, Bob Bombka, Patricia Carpenter, Shirley Brite, Larry Andrews, Earline Girard, Alta Mae Thatcher, Janet Tharp, Patricia Mansfield, Amy and Denton Bemus, Charles Eckhart, Frank Whitacre, Anne Gage, Kevin Noonan, Chris Braun, Carolyn Ehinger and all our parishioners going through cancer treatment and dialysis.

JEFF CAVINS GREAT ADVENTURE BIBLE SERIES

Sunday morning Bible Study is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 12 through Sunday, Dec. 5, 2010, in the School Meeting Room (daycare basement) after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

The topic of this 11-session series is the Jeff Cavins Great Adventure on the Letter of James. The letter of James is to the New Testament as Proverbs is to the Old Testament. Outstanding video lectures are shown at each meeting.

For more information now, call Stephanie and Jeff Brite at 724-6979 or Sue Zurcher at 701-6174.

Attention contractors and subcontractors

Any new contractors and subcontractors wanting to be considered for the construction of St. Mary's Parish Hall should call parish financial manager **Judy Converset** at 724-9159 for more information. **Please contact Judy before August 15, 2010.** It is not necessary to resubmit your name if your company has been previously involved with our building expansion plans.

Recently baptized

Please welcome into the family of Christ: **Victoria Reese Faurote**, daughter of Sydney J. Faurote, Decatur.

Millennium Madness

Congratulations to Fort Wayne resident **John Kuntz**, the winner of \$200 in Scrip certificates. The winning number was 543.

Altar flowers

To order altar flowers, contact **Jane Selking** at 547-4434, 724-8746 or jkselk@embarqmail.com.



Commodore Corner

Karla Hormann, Principal
St. Joseph School (260) 724-2765
khormann@stjosephdecatur.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
 THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2010
 "Open House"
 "Stop and Drop Night"
 6:00-7:30 P.M.

You are invited to drop by to meet your child's teacher and show your child where his/her room is located.

At this time, you may also bring your child's supplies. Avoid the confusion of that hectic first day of school.



We are currently registering students for Grades K-8, Preschool and Daycare (724-2737) Please call the school office if you did not register your child last April

724-2765

REGISTRATION DAY is next Monday, Aug. 9

- 9:00 a.m.-Noon
- 4:30-6:00 p.m.
 (for new families with children in Grades K-8)
- 6:00-7:30 p.m.

All families are required to come to registration to pick up their registration packet. The St. Joe Book Store will be open and the 2009-2010 yearbooks will be available to anyone who previously placed an order. Please return your child's information card. The \$6.00 student insurance fee is due at registration.

DRE Search

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish of Decatur, Indiana, is currently accepting applications for a parish Director of Religious Education. This is a full-time position with insurance and benefits. Job responsibilities include but are not limited to: Religious Education program for our parish school, K-8th Grade; working with altar servers; liturgical involvement and training; scheduling of ministries; high school outreach; and sacramental preparations.

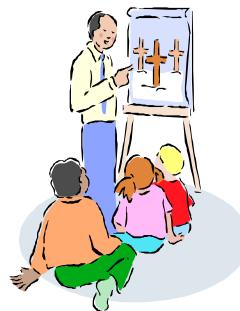
St. Mary's has nearly 1,400 registered families. Our Sunday School program has approximately 90 students in addition to the 280-plus students enrolled at our parish school, St. Joseph School.

A candidate needs to be active and in good standing within the Catholic Faith; have a solid understanding of the teachings of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church; be able to work well with people and possess a love and desire to serve the Lord and His people.

Seek the Lord's guidance and send a simple letter of introduction along with educational background to:

DRE Search c/o Fr. Dave Voors
St. Mary of the Assumption Parish
414 Madison Street
Decatur, Indiana 46733

Or send by email to parish secretary Toni DeBolt
tdebolt@stmarysdecatur.org



Sunday School Enrollment

Teresa Schurger
Director of
Religious Education
724-9159 or 728-2311
tschurger@stmarysdecatur.org

It is time to register for the 2010-11 Religious Education Sunday School Program for students who attend public schools grades K – 8th. Green Registration forms are in the back of Church on the top bookrack shelf. Fees for the coming year are \$100 for one child, \$120 for two children, and \$125 for three or more children per family. Checks are payable to St. Mary's Church.

Fees may be paid now or at the beginning of Sunday School, Sept. 12, 2010. Questions? Call me at 724-9159 or 728-2311.

Youth Ministry

Youth Minister: **Amber Heimann** Phone: #7-BIBLE-4
email: aheimann@stmarysdecatur.org

Ultimate Tournament

Today - August 1st



Coming Up

Sunday August 1st: Ultimate Frisbee Tournament at Homestead Park 1:00 - 6:30 All are welcome to come watch the excitement.

Monday Aug 2nd -Friday Aug 6th: Garage sale prep. Contact Amber if you are willing to help make treat bags, sort clothes, make signs, & organize treasures through the week.

Friday, Aug 6th: Garage sale set up 2:00-5:00 @ Youth House

Friday/Saturday Aug 6/7: Annual Youth Garage Sale Friday evening 5:00-8:00 preview sale, all items \$1.00, Saturday \$.50 sale 8am - 2pm. Student helpers needed throughout the day! Call or email to sign up.

Thursday August 12th: Farmers Market 3:30-6:30

Friday, August 13th: Movie Night

Saturday Aug 14: Pulse Music Fest. Check out www.worldpulsefestival.com for more info. Contact Amber for free tickets.

..... **School Begins!**

Movie Night Update

So these stormy summer nights just aren't allowing our outdoor movie nights to happen. We will plan to shift the outdoor season into the fall. Regularly scheduled August 13th will still plan to occur, and new nights will hopefully be added for September and possibly October. We are still in need of sponsors for the movie nights. The cost of rights per movie is \$350 and students will make a commercial for your business to show before the movie and be put on youtube. Please contact Amber if your business is willing to sponsor a showing.

AUGUST 2-8 MASSES

MON., AUG. 2 Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop, Peter Julian Eymard, priest

8:15 a.m. Melissa Niblick +

4:00 p.m. Holy Hour

TUES., AUG. 3 Weekday

8:15 a.m. Living-Deceased: Mark Schurger Family

4:00 p.m. Holy Hour

WED., AUG. 4 John Mary Vianney

8:15 a.m. Richard Wyss +

4:00 p.m. Holy Hour

THURS., AUG. 5 Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome

8:15 a.m. Special Intention

9:00 a.m. Holy Hour

3:00 p.m. Adoration of Blessed Sacrament until 8:00 p.m.

FIRST FRI., AUG. 6 Transfiguration of the Lord

1:30 p.m. Woodcrest: Sacred Heart League

FIRST SAT., AUG. 7 Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Jim & Catherine Murphy ++

SUN., AUG. 8 Nineteenth in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Sr. Eymardine M. Lengerich, CSC

and Sr. Redempta M. Lengerich, CSC

8:30 a.m. People of St. Mary's Parish

11:00 a.m. Nola Isch Family

RECENT SUNDAY OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Thank you parishioners, for your continuing generosity

JULY 25

Weekend Offerings _____ \$ 17,295.00

Weekly Church/School Expenses _____ \$ 16,312.00

Weekly Gain (Loss) _____ \$ 00,983.00

Year-to-Date Gain (Loss) _____ \$ (00,630.00)

Fiscal year July 1, 2010 thru June 30, 2011. Cost of operation of the church and school is supplemented by wills, endowments, grants, Bishop's Appeal overage, and other offerings to the parish.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

Hamilton Insulation Inc.

845 S. 1st St., Decatur

Rodney Hamilton, Mark Hamilton

Industrial & Commercial

Insulation Contractors

724-4411

AUGUST 7-8 MINISTRIES

PROCLAIMERS

5:00 p.m. Olivia & David Krueckeberg

7:00 a.m. Don Lengerich

8:30 a.m. Jim Heimann, Krista Jauregui

11:00 a.m. Matt Dyer, Eric Dohrman

CANTORS

5:00 p.m. Cara Stansifer

8:30 a.m. Megan Maynard, Thomas Coyne

11:00 a.m. Brenna Dilley

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00 p.m. Jessah & Ryan Okoniewski, Ryan Krueckeberg

7:00 a.m. Brock Weber, Chris Pogue, Harry Meyer

8:30 a.m. Monica Miller, Ryan Ashley, Mindy Loshe

11:00 a.m. Logan Baker, Emma Sonnenberg, Missy Hain

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 p.m. Sharlene Bauman, Julie Heimann, Ron Loshe

7:00 a.m. Mary Heller, Deb Jones, Judy LaFontaine

8:30 a.m. Bob & Sherri Harrison, Diane Barkey

11:00 a.m. Larry & Jean Braun, Kris McDonald

WOODCREST EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

John & Sis Kintz

HOSPITAL EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Bonnie Lengerich & Fusako (Joann) Swygart

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

8:30 a.m. Jane Selking

GREETERS & GIFT BEARERS*

5:00 p.m. Kerry & Pam Girod*

Todd & Deb Hawkins, Pat & Diane Fullenkamp

7:00 a.m. Joe & Cindy Wyss*

8:30 a.m. Don & Carol Lengerich*

Bob & Sheri Harrison, Paul & Dolores Mendez

11:00 a.m. Mike & Dana Hackman*

Eric & Kris Dohrman, **Volunteers Needed**

SCRIP TABLE VOLUNTEERS

Sat. Gina Logan, Aug. 7 after 5:00 p.m. Mass

Sun. Kink Butler, Aug. 8 8:00-10:00 a.m.

Sun. Janel Lengerich, Aug. 1 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

AUGUST USHERS

5:00 p.m. Dave Heimann, Jim Kuhnle

7:00 a.m. Denny & Renae Jackson

8:30 a.m. Rex Brewer, Terry Ashley

11:00 a.m. Chris & Greg Hakes

AUGUST COLLECTION COUNTERS

Sun. Bob Tricker Team

AUGUST CHURCH CLEANERS

Tues. Sis Kintz, Joan Sprunger

Fri. **Volunteers Needed**

ATTENTION ENGAGED COUPLES!

If you plan to remain a member of St. Mary's after your wedding (or even if you don't), please let us know so we can keep your membership information updated. Fill out and return this form to me – Toni DeBolt, parish secretary. You may also reply by email to tdebolt@stmarysdecatour.org. Since your email to me may be held up in our protective firewall, be sure to include your last names in the subject line so I can see who is attempting to contact me. Example: Smith-Jones household. This form is also available for home printers on our parish website at www.stmarysdecatour.org.



____ Yes, we plan to remain in this parish after the wedding ____ No, we intend to move away

Our NEW address and phone number(s) will be:

Name(s)

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Phone Number(s)

IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISH OR WERE MARRIED WITHIN THE LAST YEAR OR TWO BUT HAVEN'T RECEIVED ANY PARISH MAILINGS, FEEL FREE TO USE THIS FORM