



Church of Saint Mary

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St. Mary's Parish is a community of Catholics, striving to be an open and caring people, living our faith, spreading God's word, and serving as Jesus' disciples to our families, our parish and our surrounding communities.

ONE FAITH ONE FAMILY ONE SPIRIT

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptisms are celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of each month immediately following the Noon Mass. For more information, please contact the Parish House.

Sacrament of Marriage: Parishioners must contact the Parish House at least six months prior to the wedding date. Pre-Cana session is required.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you know of anyone who is sick, elderly or homebound, please call the Parish House and let us know so that we can minister to them.

Adoration: All day, every day in our Chapel.

Rosary: The Rosary will be prayed daily before the 9:00 a.m. Mass and on Sundays before the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour: The Thursday before the first Friday of the month from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Miraculous Medal Novena: Mondays after the 9:00 a.m. Mass

New Parishioners: If you have recently moved into our community, welcome! Please call the Parish House to register.

Rev. Louis P. Bellopede

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Pastor

Rev. Charles J. McElroy

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Rev. Brian M. Kean

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Parish Secretary

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Coordinator, PREP; Business

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Principal of St. Mary School

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Facilities Manager

Sunday Mass Schedule

Vigil (Saturday evening) • 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning • 7:30 a.m. † 9:00 a.m. † 10:30 a.m. † 12:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday through Saturday • 9:00 a.m.

Confession Schedule

Saturday • 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. † 2:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

School

610-287-7757

St. Mary School Website

www.smsk-8.org

Religious Education (PREP)

610-287-4517

PREP Classes

6:30 - 7:45 p.m. Mon or Tues

Little Church (Ages 4 and 5)

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Youth Group

First and Third Sundays



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 4:00 p.m.	February 28 Leo Bouffard - The Beck Family
Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	March 1 2nd Sunday of Lent People of Saint Mary Parish The Intentions of Kathy Wasniewski - her children Anthony Mudalel - The Mudalel Family Thomas and Louis Maimone - Anthony & Elizabeth Pascucci
Monday 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	March 2 Lenten Weekday Margaret Ashida – The Pirall Family The Intentions of Jennifer Greenwald - The Wasniewski Family
Tuesday 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	March 3 Saint Katharine Drexel Rev. Francis X Maguire The Intentions of Rev. Brian Kean - Peggy Hinson
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	March 4 Saint Casimir Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Tighe, Sr. - The Tighe Family The Intentions of Rev. Brian Kean - Parish House Staff
Thursday 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	March 5 Lenten Weekday Jason Freed - Grace Freed The Intentions of Donna Forsyth - Peggy Hinson
Friday 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	March 6 Lenten Weekday Jean Rosato - Lynne Fratta and Family The Intentions of Rev. Louis Bellopede - Parish House Staff
Saturday 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	March 7 Saints Perpetua and Felicity Leo Bouffard - The Beck Family Mary Margaret McArdle Roe - Jay & Suzzette Moyer
Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	March 8 2nd Sunday of Lent Barbara Junod - Jane Junod Richard Stauffer - Joe and Antonette Fabrizio Jane Bender - The Poatsy Family People of Saint Mary Parish

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Kimberly DiPietro Alexander, Marisa Allen, Matthew and Mya Allen, Scott Barton, Patricia Beauchamp, Janelle Bergandino, Joe Brady, Christine Broadwell, Bruno Capobianchi, (granddaughter) Kathryn Capobianchi, Sabrina Capperella, Lisa Caruso, Suzanne Casazza, Art Chandler, Patricia Chermela, Ann Marie O'Callaghan Clair, Patrick Coleman, Anthony Corbicz, Randy Cornell, Jeremy Cosgrove, Teri Daring, Leslie Defrancesco, Rosemarie DeRosa, Diana DeSantis, Madeline Dobbs, Tony Downey, Derek Dvorjak, Faith Embree, Bill and Charles Fries, Anthony Gdonski, Mark Giambone, Nancy Grubb, Grace Guckin, Anne Hale, Thomas B. Hammer, Jennifer Harleigh, Abby Heilman, Ed Heilman, Anton Hevener, Mateo Heye, Art Hinson, Sr Patricia Hoey, Michael Holva, Richard Hood, Charlotte Hvorecky, Aileen Hyden, Virginia John, Justin Michael Johnson, Lisa Keeder, Thomas Kees, Debbie Keister, Chris Krinick, Nicholas Kumpf, Eleanor Kunz, Frank Larkins, Maryann Lepone, Pearl Loch, Ed Loughery, Max Maertzig, Doris Marsh, Anthony Martin, Margaret (Maggie) McCallum, Joe McGann, Matthew McGann, Jerry McGee, Francis and Helen McHugh, Pat McMahan, Priscilla Miller, Jen Monaghan, Joan Mooney, Margaret Murphy, John Nichols, Nicholas Noel, Fred Nubbemyer, Susan Ondo, Teresa Ott, Britney Pinson, Frank and Dianne Ponzio, Scott Rafter, Patricia Reigner, Dorothy Rush, Joe Ryan, Brendan Saboe Jr., Mary Ellen Salerno, Anthony Sammartino, Joan Santello, Dave Schumaker, Leo Scotto, Clay Sebra, Tom Shilling, Ron Shofran, Richard Sinclair, Joshua Stern, Ron Szewczak, Anna Taglianetti, Lorraine Tausz, Baby Emanuel Thomas, Baby Nicholas Trojanski, George Tyler, Katherine Veneziano, Jane and Dennis Vicchio, Shannon Yockel, Walt and May Young, Lois Walterhammer, Walter Wasilwski, Frank Wilson Jr, Ed Woods, Beverly Ann and Joseph Zapata, Paul and Dawn Zottoli

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,
A warm welcome to you, our faithful parishioners and all who may be joining us today for Mass. Please know you always have a home at the Church of Saint Mary!

LENT at SAINT MARY CHURCH: A great opportunity is placed before us this year during this most sacred season. Please make the effort to attend Holy Mass each day. Mass is offered at 9:00am and 7:00pm Monday through Friday during Lent. Stations of the Cross is prayed every Friday at 1:30pm and 6:30pm. Please note: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is bestowed only after the 1:30pm Stations. Confessions are heard on Saturdays at 9:30am until 10:00am and 2:45pm until 3:45pm and anytime by appointment.

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS: The Church of Saint Mary will host the traditional Latin Mass on Wednesday, March 25th (Solemnity of the Annunciation) at 7:00pm. Please mark your calendar and tell your friends. This will be a HIGH MASS with 3 priests celebrating the parts of: **PRIEST:** *Fr. Dennis Carbonaro*, **DEACON:** *Fr. Gerald Carey*, and **SUB DEACON:** *Fr. Chris Moriconi*. This will be the first time that the traditional Latin Mass will be celebrated in Saint Mary Church built in 1984.

ANNUAL APPEAL and CENSUS: The Annual Appeal and Census for Saint Mary parish is very important! It helps us keep accurate records for our parish! The last census was taken many, many years ago. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia asks all parishes to submit a census that is accurate and up to date. Would you please help me by returning your census form? It will only take a few minutes of your time to fill out. In addition, the Annual Appeal helps address capital projects that are not within the scope of our annual budget. I am truly grateful for all you do for this great community of faith. If you have not made a donation to the 2015 Annual Appeal for Saint Mary Parish I humbly ask you to please consider donating to this "once a year" appeal. No gift is too small nor too great. Thank you, once again, for your love, kindness and thoughtfulness to Saint Mary Parish, living our motto as: *ONE FAITH, ONE FAMILY and ONE SPIRIT.*

MASSES and MEMORIALS: There are several Masses and Memorials still available for 2015 at Saint Mary Parish. During this Season of Lent think about having Mass celebrated for a living or deceased loved one, family member or friend. In the same way, you may wish to have a Memorial in honor of a living or deceased loved one, family member or friend. Please refer to page three of the Sunday bulletin for more details about Memorials offered here at Saint Mary Parish! May God reward your thoughtfulness.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT: Today, our Confirmation Candidates are on retreat at Cardinal O'Hara High School in Springfield, PA. This retreat is being conducted by the Office for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood. Our candidates will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, May 30th at 11:00am at Saint Mary Church by His Excellency, Archbishop Charles Chaput, the Archbishop of Philadelphia.

FISH FRY FRIDAYS: Back by popular demand our Fish Fry Fridays are back at Saint Mary Parish! Please stop by the hall on the Fridays of Lent and get your family and yourself a meat-less dinner. Sales of our dinners go directly to the renovation of our Parish Hall kitchen. Thanks for your support and love.

Have a nice week, everyone!

Love and prayers,
Father Bellopede

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR FEB/MAR 28-1

MASS	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	MUSIC	SACRISTAN
4:00 PM	Fr. Kean	S.J. McCurdy	F. Freed, Bradbury, Bushey, Davis, Grossbauer, Hines	A., E. & R. Grossbauer	Organ/Cantor	Kosiorek
7:30 AM	Fr. Kean	Jody Shollenberger	Deweese, Kelly, Kirby, Kosiorek, McCloskey, McGeeney	Roberge, H. & S. Roberts	Quiet	Little
9:00 AM	Fr. Kean	Joe Cahill	Forsyth, Kolesky, Kunz, Storti, Walsh, J. Bickel	Behrens, Lugo, McElroy	Folk Music Ministry	Little
10:30 AM	Fr. Kean	Erin Leone	Longua, McCarron, McHugh, O'Donnell, Pirral, Bintner	Coleman, J. & M. Cutrona	Acclaim	Little
12:00 PM	Fr. Kean	Anna Maria Hazel	Keller, Klisch, Luckenbach, Lugo, Schnaubelt, Watt	M. & M. Hughes, Snyder	Spirit Choir	Little

UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR MARCH 7-8

MASS	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	MUSIC	SACRISTAN
4:00 PM	Fr. Bellopede	Kim LaGuardia	Hinson, Matthews, Moyer, Swantek, Bradbury, Davis	M. & P. McCafferty, Roth	Organ/Cantor	Little
7:30 AM	Fr. Badeaux	Sean Chalmers	Shofran, Whitehead, Zandier, Allen, Chalmers, Coneghen	Suarez, Timlin, Wagner	Quiet	Olzinski
9:00 AM	Fr. Kean	Deborah Ford	M. Bickel, Cahill, Dyson, Forsyth, Kolesky, Kunz	Bickel, L. & M. Pelletier	Folk Music Ministry	Olzinski
10:30 AM	Fr. Bellopede	Jack Carney	Brady, Cornely, Gentner, Gibson, Leichner, Longua	Mazzio, Ondo, Rigby	Acclaim	Olzinski
12:00 PM	Fr. Kean	Steve Imms	Hamel, Keller, Klisch, Luckenbach, Lugo, Schnaubelt	A. & J. Redmond, Spina	Spirit Choir	Olzinski

Memorials

The **Vigil Light** in our Chapel burning next to an image of our Blessed Mother is in honor of **Kathy Wasniewski** at the request of **Denise Sozda**.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** burning next to our tabernacle in the Church is in memory of **Irene Wasilewski** at the request of **her children**.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** burning next to our tabernacle in our Chapel is in memory of _____ at the request of _____.

The **Altar Candles** burning on the Altar in our Church this week are in memory of _____ at the request of _____.

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The **Altar Bread and Wine** donated this week is in memory of _____ at the request of _____.

If you are interested in having Memorials in memory of a loved one, please contact the Parish House. Memorials are for one week.

Donations: Rose for Life, Rose for Resurrection, Vigil Light are \$5, Sanctuary Lamps are \$10, Altar Candles are \$20, Bread and Wine is \$50, Altar Flowers are \$175

PLEASE NOTE: Flowers are not permitted in the sanctuary during the season of Lent.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Tim Fitzgerald	Matthew Foley	Jim Gotlewski	Jennifer Foley
Yaphet Blair	John Walsh	Gerard Pettine	Richard Granozio
Frank P. Roth	John Weaver	Brian Smith	Sharon Hyland Keyser
Michael Hood	Jonathan Minkler	Brett R. Karkheck	Ed Loughery Jr.
David Sinnk	William Ian Holdsworth	Michael Boehret	Jacob McLendon
Brian Dunn	Michael E. Ingram	Joseph Wolf	Ian Keyser
Keith E. Mason	Wayne Cherry, Jr.	George Lockbaum	Michael Regan
Timothy Ryan McGinnis	Kyra Chamberlain	Collin Hamel	Ryan Decker
Lauren Shaw	Dominic D. Zottoli	Matthew Kearney	William Schweitzer
Ryan Nolan	David Gentner	Charles Joseph Maloney III	Eric Funk
Madeline Augustine	Bridgette Augustine	Thomas Fisher	Kevin K. O'Malley
Albert Joseph Augustine	Travis R. Quimby	Tim Murray	Matthew Dager
Blaise Fountaine	Andrew Schnaubelt	Tom Gutherman	Kyle Houchins
Kayla Carroll	Shawn O'Connor	Jackie Perrie	Kyle Kearney
Fr. David A. Daigle	Brian Sinclair	Aaron Hart	Brian Murray
Eric Himmel	Bobby McCall	Geoff Ostrowski	David Casas
Shannon D. Revit			

PARISH NEWS



LENT MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 9am and 7pm
 Saturday: 9am and 4pm (Vigil)
 Sunday: 7:30am; 9am; 10:30am; 12pm
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
 Friday: 1:30pm (with benediction)
 6:30pm



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"If we were to sit for an hour a few feet away from a radioactive element, how much would that change affect us? The Lord is infinitely more powerful than this and if we go to Him seeking grace and mercy, how much more can we hope to be changed?" St Faustina. Adorers needed: Tues @ 2:00am & 5:00pm, Wed @ 5:00pm, Thurs @ 11:00pm. Please call MaryKay @ [484-415-0338](tel:484-415-0338) to sign up as a Scheduled Adorer, Substitute, or to join our Adoration Team as an Hourly Captain.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADVERTISE AT SAINT MARY?

Would you like the opportunity to introduce your business or ministry to the St. Mary family, friends and community? If so, please consider advertising with us. Increase the visibility of your business in the community, honor the memory of a loved one with a prayer or include upcoming event or general information about your ministry. Each poster is 24" X 36" that will sit behind glass by our Parish Hall entryway and is heavily trafficked. Two posters sit side by side, designed to the specifications of the sponsor and are posted for a period of 2 months. To become a sponsor or for more info and pricing, please contact Susan at shrdesign@aol.com or contact Sandi at the parish house at [610.287.8156](tel:610.287.8156).

FISH FRY FRIDAYS!

Come join us every Friday of Lent for delicious meatless dinners served from 4pm to 7pm in the Parish Hall. Eat in or take out is available. See our parish website for menu and pricing.



WELCOME.....

and God's Blessings on **Max Lester Corbin, Joseph Lius Erwin, Jayson Leonard Erwin** and **Landon Robert Gizzi** who were baptized by Deacon Don Nichols on Sunday, February 22nd.

SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL TRUCK COLLECTION

On Saturday, March 21, 2015, Saint Vincent DePaul will be sponsoring a truck collection from 8am to 4pm in the parking lot across the street from the church building. Donations of clothing, small appliances, kitchen and other household items will be accepted. **No large appliances or furniture please!**



2014 TAX RECEIPT STATEMENTS

If you would like a year end statement of your 2014 contributions to Church of Saint Mary please contact the parish house.

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ANNUAL APPEAL

St. Mary Annual Appeal is used for Parish needs that are not covered in our operating budget. This year's appeal goal is \$150,000 and will be used to update the church's HVAC system and campus lighting. Please help us reach our goal by returning your census form and appeal donation to the parish house. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

CRY ROOM

The cry room in our church is meant for infants and toddlers that get a little irritable or cannot stay still during the celebration of Mass. Please encourage your teens and any other individuals to use the main church for worship. This room over the last several months has been used by people who do not necessarily need it. If any teen or adult needs to move from the main church kindly use the pews in the vestibule. There are also speakers in the vestibule of the church in order to hear Mass. Thanks so much for your cooperation.



WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2015 Philadelphia

LOVE IS OUR MISSION: THE FAMILY FULLY ALIVE

Theme 3: The Meaning of Human Sexuality

"Love is Our Mission" because God created us for a reason: to love us, and for us to love one another. God's covenant with Israel and the Church reveals what God's love is like: tender and passionate, but also steadfast and sacrificial. The bodily, earthly world has spiritual significance. Tangible things - sacramentals, acts of charity, sacred art and culture, our liturgical feasts and fasts - have the capacity to reveal the glory of God. Marriage, as one of the sacraments, reveals this to us in a special way. The bodies of the spouses, in the complementarity of their masculinity and femininity, have the unique role of revealing God's nature as a communion of life-giving love. How can a man and a woman imitate God's love together? How can they live in a way that is intimate and committed, joyful and merciful, forgiving and fertile? Through their participation in the life of the Church, this kind of love becomes possible. God's love is not an audition, or a temporary experiment, or a self-seeking negotiation. In the same way, marriage is never a private, inward romance, but always discovers its true nature in relation to God and his wider purposes. A sacramental marriage is called to be a little parable of God's love, always ordered to joy and service. All Catholic sexual ethics flow from these ideas.

FINANCIAL FACTS

Collection for February 22, 2015

Week 34

Target Needed for the 14-15 Fiscal Year.....\$957,000.00

Weekend Collection

Target Needed Weekly for 14-15 Fiscal Year.....\$18,135.00

Collection for Weekend of February 22.....\$13,132.80

Electronic Funds Transfer (Parish Giving).....\$1,493.00

Over (Under) Target.....(\$2,753.20)

2nd Collection (Snow Removal).....\$756.00

Hands Together Capital Campaign (Blue Envelope)

Mortgage Owed for Catholic Education Center \$1,806,608.49

Target Needed Weekly.....\$1,856.00

Collection for Weekend of February 22.....\$907.00

Over (Under) Target.....(\$949.00)

Total Collected To Date.....\$580,022.25

Total Envelopes Mailed.....670

Total Envelopes Used.....233

Parish Debt (Gold Envelope)

Debt.....\$794,300.52

Debt Reduction (Gold Envelope).....\$25.00

New Debt Total.....\$794,275.52

Parish Giving All of our parishioners are invited to use our new option of electronic funds transfer by logging onto our website and clicking 'PARISH GIVING'.

PLANNED GIVING: All parishioners and friends of The Church of Saint Mary are kindly asked to include Saint Mary Parish in their will and estate planning. We kindly thank you in advance for remembering this great community of faith in your will so its mission and ministry may continue in the years ahead.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BENEFIT FOR A BABY'S BREATH

Please support A Baby's Breath Crisis Pregnancy Center by enjoying Chick-fil-A Spirit Week during the week of March 9th through March 14th (Monday through Saturday) Just make a purchase and present the special event flyer and A Baby's Breath will receive **15% of all sales**. Event flyer can be obtained by visiting our website, www.ababysbreath.org, or stop by Visitation BVM Rectory. Flyer is good for the entire week. Offer only good at Chick-fil-A Audubon location at 680 S. Trooper Road, Audubon, PA and flyer must be presented each time a purchase is made. Thank you for your generosity and for helping our moms and their children!

GWYNEDD MERCY ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Tours: Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School hosts Morning Tours for 6th & 7th graders and their families from now through May. Visit gmahs.org/admissions to register today! Summer Camps: Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School is offering 9 different camps during Summer 2015, including Sports, Arts, Music, Leadership, and Technology. Visit gmahs.org to register today!

HONESTY, HEALING & HOPE IN CHRIST

Confronting Sexual Violence in Our Archdiocese

Don't let sexual violence silence you. Healing can start with a call. Visit www.pacrimvictims.com/healing or call

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1-888-800-8780.

Saint Vincent dePaul Grocery List



Shopping this week? Can you pick up a few items from the list below and donate them to Saint Vincent dePaul? They can be dropped off during the week in any vestibule of the Church or on the first Sunday of the month in the Hall!

Canned Food, Soups		Health	
Hearty Soups		Hand Soap	
Canned Ravioli		Deodorant	
Canned Fruits/Veggies		Shampoo/Conditioner	
Canned Tuna		Toothbrush, Toothpaste	
Cereal, Grain, Snacks		Paper, Cleaning	
Cereal		Napkins, Paper towels	
Instant Potatoes/Rice		Toilet Paper, Tissues	
Mac and Cheese		Dish Soap/Clorox	
Pre-packaged snacks		All Purpose Cleaners	
Special Need			
<p>We have several families in need of a car, van or SUV, inspected and in good running condition. For more information, or if you or someone you know are able to help, please call Mary Cosgrove at 610-287-6552.</p>			
Client Needs			
#179	Girl's clothing, size 3T; Boy's clothing, size 4T	#194	Men's jeans, size 30x32 or 30x34
#104	Blankets, twin size; Everything for a new baby girl	#52	Women's jeans, size 12
#157	Twin bed comforter and curtains for teenage girl	#66	Adult Female Diapers, Small and Medium
#1	Crib, no mattress needed	#2	Everything for a new baby boy
187	New refrigerator	248	Electric washer and dryer



LIFE MINISTRIES

Saint Mary Parish is committed to the promotion and sanctity of all Human Life from the first moment of conception until natural death. Let us together as a parish community stand up and speak loudly and

boldly for every person born and unborn.

Rachel's Vineyard: 1-800-395-HELP(4357)

Helpline for Abortion Recovery: 1-866-482-LIFE(5433)

Suicide Hotline: 1-800-273-8255

Domestic Abuse: 1-866-Safe-014

Pregnancy Hotline: 1 (800) 712-HELP

World Meeting of the Families Prayer

God and Father of us all,
in Jesus, your Son and our Savior,
you have made us
your sons and daughters
in the family of the Church.

May your grace and love
help our families
in every part of the world
be united to one another
in fidelity to the Gospel.

May the example of the Holy Family,
with the aid of your Holy Spirit,
guide all families, especially those most troubled,
to be homes of communion and prayer
and to always seek your truth and live in your love.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!



***What are you doing for Lent this year?
Help make a difference in someone else's life.
Why not bring someone to church?***

Saint Mary Parish

invites you to

Bring a Friend to Church this Lent!

How?

1. Identify the person.
2. Pray for the person daily throughout the 40 days of Lent.
3. Offer your Holy Communion or offer the entire Mass for this person.
4. Kindly invite this person, do not force or nag! Gently invite.
5. Throughout Lent, give them parish bulletins or perhaps a holy card.
6. Invite them to our many spiritual and social activities.
7. Ask if they are registered with our parish community.
8. Tell them that God loves them unconditionally.

***Be the one who helps make a
difference in someone else's
life this Lent.***

Invite them to Church!

Share the Good News!

***Do you have a relative, friend,
neighbor, or co-worker who
doesn't attend Mass?
Invite them to come to church
with you this Lent.***

**The Lenten Journey Begins
February 18, 2015**

Saint Mary offers

- A warm and welcoming community of faith.
- A beautiful church.
- Prayerful and uplifting celebrations of the Sacred Liturgy
- Dynamic Proclamation and Preaching of the Word of God.
- An encounter with Jesus Christ truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.
- The Profound Love, Mercy, and Compassion of God
- A place for children to grow in the knowledge and love of God.
- Adult Formation and Education in the Faith.
- Outreach to the local and global community
- A long standing and respected presence in our community.
- A place to call home.
- COME and SEE as Jesus invites all