

SECOND SUNDAY of EASTER
Sunday of Divine Mercy
April 23, 2017

MONDAY - April 24*Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8*

7:00 p.m. Women's Study Group (*in Commons*)
 Bishop Barron's "Catholicism:
 The New Evangelization"

TUESDAY - April 25 - Saint Mark, Evangelist*1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20*

5:00-6:00 p.m. Holy Hour with
**Eucharistic Exposition/
 Benediction and Confessions**
6:30 p.m. Mass Intention: †Raymond Shaw

**WEDNESDAY - April 26***Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21*

8:30 a.m. Mass Intention: †Daniel Fabian
1:00 p.m. Young at Heart
7:00 p.m. RCIA
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Scripture Reflection Group
(in Chapel of Commons Building)

THURSDAY - April 27*Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36*

8:30 a.m. Mass Intention: †Janis Swepston
6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass Intention:
 †Carmella Panzica

FRIDAY - April 28*Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15*

8:30 a.m. Mass Intention: †Edmund E. Burke

SATURDAY - April 29 -*St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church**Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21*

9:00 a.m. Rosary
10:30 a.m. Children's Choir
4:00-4:30 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. Mass Intention: †Sal Bruno

**SUNDAY - April 30 - Third Sunday of Easter***Collection for Central and Eastern Europe**St. Vincent de Paul Fifth Sunday Collection**Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35*

8:00 a.m. Mass Intention: Living and Deceased
of Sibbett & Lenheiser Families
11:00 a.m. Mass Intention: St. Mary Parishioners
1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass Intention: †Paul G. Simpson

IN MEMORIAM**Eternal Rest Grant Unto**

Catherine Lynn, Clarabelle Tanner and Nancy Wood

~ SERVERS ~**This Weekend: April 22/23, 2017**

5:00 p.m. Austin Chivington, Trent Reece,
 Dylan Baisden
 8:00 a.m. Michael McLernon, Summer McLernon,
 Christie Longo
 11:00 a.m. Matthew Starrs, Noah Breece,
 Christian Breece, Sean Murphy
 1:00 p.m. Andrea Tagle, Ashley Alvarez,
 Miguel Martinez

Next Weekend: April 29/30, 2017

5:00 p.m. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
 8:00 a.m. Samuel Baer, Kelly Baer, Brett Gubernath
 11:00 a.m. Kasey McDaniel, Nick McDaniel,
 Aaron McDaniel, Abigail Wright
 1:00 p.m. Ashley Alvarez, Andrea Tagle, Maria Martinez

~ LECTORS ~**This Weekend: April 22/23, 2017**

5:00 p.m. (I) Mary Ann Stolarczyk
 (II) Joan Shoup
 8:00 a.m. (I) Sharon Baldinger
 (II) Pat Baldinger
 11:00 a.m. (I) David Kalisch
 (II) Kevin Anderson
 1:00 p.m. (I) Edgard Olivos
 (II) Grecia Catalan

Next Weekend: April 29/30, 2017

5:00 p.m. (I) Pat Stevens
 (II) Joan Shoup
 8:00 a.m. (I) Dora Jean Mendoza
 (II) Joe Stanko
 11:00 a.m. (I) Fred Fosco
 (II) Deb Ketcham
 1:00 p.m. (I) Gilberto Aguirre
 (II) Grecia Catalan

PLEASE NOTE: *Liturgical Minister Schedules are posted online at <http://www.marionstmary.org/Bulletin&Liturgical Assignments>. Paper copies are available in the main vestibule and are also posted on the church bulletin boards. Thank you.*

**ATTENTION, LITURGICAL MINISTERS:**

Liturgical Minister Schedules for **MAY/JUNE 2017**, are currently being worked on. **IMPORTANT - PLEASE NOTE:** If you know you will be out of town, if you want to change your Mass time preference, or if you no longer wish to continue serving in your ministry, please let us know by contacting Dolores at the Parish Office (740-382-2118 or e-mail dolores@marionstmary.org) **on or before APRIL 25th. Thank you!**

From the Pastor:

The first Sunday after Easter is traditionally known as Sunday “in albis,” a reference to the white robes worn by those baptized during the Easter Vigil. In the early Church, the newly baptized wore their white robes during the week after Easter, and took them off on this day. This was also a symbol that in baptism they had stripped themselves of sin and put on Christ, their new life. This Sunday, then, is a day to celebrate the power of Baptism. The Gospel tells how Jesus invited Thomas to put his finger into His wounded side. When we were baptized, the Lord Jesus invited us to do the same, to touch His Sacred Heart, to let the power of His death and resurrection flow into our own lives.

The entrance antiphon for this Sunday’s Mass refers to the newly baptized: “*Quasi modo geniti infantes, Halleluja, rationabile, sine dolo lac concupiscite*” – Like newborn babies, alleluia, yearn for pure spiritual milk. Because of this liturgical text, some people called this Sunday “Quasimodo Sunday.” More recently, Pope St. John Paul II designated it “Divine Mercy Sunday.” Whatever name is given to this Sunday, it’s clear that the new life of Baptism is something we ought to celebrate each day.

Let’s think for a moment about the neophytes, the newly baptized, in the days of the early Church. For a whole week, everywhere they went, they were clothed in the white garments of their Baptism. When anyone is baptized, he is given a white garment, and exhorted to keep it unstained by sin. We don’t wear the white garments of our Baptism every day, but we have put on Christ, and we need to make sure to keep that new life unstained. During the Easter Season, we should keep in mind the words of the Apostle: If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these, the wrath of God is coming. In these, you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. (Colossians 3:1-10)

Sincerely Yours, in Christ,
Fr. Thomas Buffer

Del Párroco:

El primer Domingo después de Pascua es conocido tradicionalmente como Domingo “en albis,” una referencia a las túnicas blancas usadas por los que se bautizan durante la Vigilia Pascual. En los comienzos de la Iglesia los recién bautizados usaban sus túnicas blancas durante la semana después de Pascua, y se los sacaban este día. Esto también fue un símbolo que en el bautizo se sacaban el pecado y se ponían a Cristo, su nueva vida. Entonces, este Domingo, es un día para celebrar el poder del Bautizo. El Evangelio nos dice cómo Jesús invitó a Thomas a poner su dedo en Sus heridas. Cuando nos bautizamos, el Señor Jesús nos invita hacer lo mismo, a tocar Su Corazón Sagrado, a dejar que el poder de Su muerte y resurrección fluya dentro de nuestras propias vidas.

El comienzo de la antifonía de la Misa de este Domingo se refiere a los recién bautizados: “*Quasi modo geniti infantes, Halleluja, rationabile, sine dolo lac concupiscite*” – Como los recién nacidos, aléluya, anhelando su leche espiritual pura. Debido a este texto litúrgico, algunas personas llaman a este Domingo “Domingo Cuasimodo.” Recientemente el Papa Juan Pablo II lo designó “Domingo de la Divina Misericordia.” Cualquier nombre que se le dé a este Domingo, está claro que la nueva vida de bautizo es algo que deberíamos celebrar cada día.

Pensemos por un momento sobre los neófitos, los recién bautizados, en los primeros días de la Iglesia. Por una semana completa, a donde vayan, estaban vestidos en sus túnicas blancas de su Bautizo. Cuando alguien es bautizado, se le da una vestimenta blanca, y se le pide mantenerla libre de la mancha del pecado. Nosotros no usamos la vestimenta blanca de nuestro Bautizo cada día, pero nos hemos puesto en Cristo, y necesitamos estar seguros de mantener esa nueva vida sin manchas. Durante la temporada Pascual, debemos recordar las palabras del Apóstol: Si es que te has resucitado con Cristo, mira las cosas que están arriba, donde Cristo que está sentado a la mano derecha de Dios. Fija tu mente en cosas de arriba, y no en cosas que estén en la tierra. Porque has muerto, y tu vida está escondida con Cristo en Dios. Cuando Cristo quien es nuestra vida aparezca, luego tú también aparecerás con él en la gloria. Mata entonces lo que es terrenal: fornicación, impureza, pasión, deseos malignos, y avaricia, la cual es idolatría. Sobre estas cuentas la ira de Dios está viniendo. En estas has caminado alguna vez, cuando vives en ellas. Pero ahora ponlas todas lejos: cólera, ira, malicia, calumnia y malas habladurías de tu boca. No mientas a otros, ya que has dejado los viejos hábitos y están practicando los buenos hábitos, la cual es renovarse en conocimiento después de la imagen del creador. (Colosenses 3:1-10)

Su hermano en Cristo
Padre Thomas Buffer



Wedding Banns

BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

Please keep in your prayers these couples as they prepare for marriage:

Jose Reyes Moreno Vite and Maria G. Esparza Castaneda on April 29th.

Kyle Shirley and Melissa Luikart on May 6th.

Congratulations!

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION: Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m., in *Chapel of Commons Building*. You are invited to join us as we study and reflect on the current Sunday's readings and apply the message of God's Word to our everyday lives.



St. Mary School News

April 26: 8:30 a.m. School Mass

For more information about enrollment, please call the school at 740-382-1607.

SANCTUARY CANDLE will burn this week in honor of **Wilfred & Ruth Thiel in celebration of their 65th Wedding Anniversary** by their children and families.

COMMUNION HOSTS for this week are in honor of **Wilfred & Ruth Thiel in celebration of their 65th Wedding Anniversary** by their children and families.

SACRAMENTAL WINE provided by the Knights of Columbus.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

9:15-10:45 a.m. - Preschool through 7th Grade at St. Mary Grade School



Class Schedule:

April 23 and 30

Last class is May 7.

For more information, call Glenna at 740-382-2262.



Reminder for Visitation of the Sick: Please remember that due to privacy laws, hospitals no longer notify us when one of our parishioners has been admitted. Please notify the Parish Office if you or a loved one is ill or in the hospital by calling 740-382-2118. Thank you.

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Please Support Our School:

St. Mary Home and School is once again selling discount cards for \$10.00 each.

You can purchase your card after Mass the weekend of May 6/7. They are also available at the School and Parish Offices. They are slightly different than last year with great restaurants, such as Baires, Andrew's Pastries, Candy Shack, Subway, the Jer-zee, Victor's Taco Shop, and more!



PRAYER REQUEST LINE:

For a prayer request for the Prayer Line, please call Ellen Distel at 740-389-4551 or Dolores at the Parish Office at 740-382-2118 or email dolores@marionstmary.org.

NURSERY: The Nursery is available at the 11:00 a.m. Mass each Sunday. Looking for a rewarding way to acquire service hours for Confirmation? *Think about helping in the Nursery.* Please call Angie at 419-834-5783 if you would like to help out.



Healing Blanket Ministry:

Healing Blanket Ministry continues its mission to sew blankets. Would you like to join us in this ministry? We will supply the material for you to sew. *We ask those who give a blanket to a loved one, to please sign the blue binder with your name and the name of the person receiving it.* We need more people to sew the blankets. Please contact Elaine Kelly at 740-389-1018.

New Altar Server Training:

Deacon Jesse Martinez will be having another Altar Server Training session next Sunday, April 30th, from 2:15-4:00 p.m., in the church.

Please call Evelyn Lisiecki at 860-997-0627 to register. Thank you.

OPERATION STARFISH ~ April 23, BAKE SALE

When? Sunday April 23, 2017

After all Sunday Masses

Where? *Moira Hall (Church basement)*

Drop off: Sunday morning before PSR

Our total to date is \$3,095.90. WOW!!!!!!

Remember, our goal is to earn enough money to furnish a house with plumbing (\$3,600.00) and we're getting closer every day!!

Operation Starfish is a simple, efficient **Food for The Poor** project that saves precious lives, one child at a time.

Thank You, Thank You, and Thank You!!!





CONFIRMATION NEWS

CONFIRMATION

Classes: 9:15-10:45 a.m., in the Commons
April 23 and 30

May 6: Super Saturday, 1:00-5:00 p.m. – Confirmandi and sponsor or proxy
The schedule includes Reconciliation, refreshments, sharing time between Sponsor and Confirmandi and practice for Confirmation Mass. Activities will end before 5:00 p.m. to give Confirmandi and Sponsor a chance to attend Mass together.

May 9: 6:30 p.m. – Confirmation Mass

Joe and Debbie Faber (faber3@thewavz.com or 740-360-1582)
Glenna Celestino (glenna@marionstmary.org or 740-382-2262)
2016-2017 Team: Joe and Debbie Faber, Mary Dutton,
Miranda Breece and Gilberto Aguirre



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children in Grades 3-8 are invited to join the Children's Choir in making a beautiful and meaningful contribution to the First Communion Mass on Saturday, May 13. Rehearsals will be held at 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Choir Loft on Saturdays, April 29, and May 6 and 13. It is not necessary to attend all rehearsals. Contact Kathleen Whitt at 740-262-0365.

May Crowning

May 7, 2017:
All children of the parish are invited to participate in the Mary Procession before the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

Please bring flowers to the main vestibule at 10:45 a.m. to carry in the procession in honor of Our Lady.



On this day, O' Beautiful Mother, on this day, we bring thee our love.

First Holy Communion

Retreat ~ Children and Parents
Saturday, May 6, 2017
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Moira Hall
Dress casual.
Refreshments provided.



First Communion Practice

(for First Holy Communion Mass)

Saturday, May 13, 2017
10:00-11:00 a.m., in the church

Sunday, May 14, 2017
12:00 p.m., in the church

First Holy Communion Mass:

Saturday, May 13, 2017 ~ 5:00 p.m., in the church
Sunday, May 14, 2017 ~ 1:00 p.m., Spanish Mass



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

In order to understand and better appreciate this special sacrament, parents must attend a Pre-Baptismal Class. St. Mary offers this instruction four times a year on the second Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in the Commons. **Preregistration for the class is required.**

Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays of the month immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please call Glenna at the Office of Religious Education at 740-382-2262, to register or if you have any questions.

THE NEXT CLASS WILL BE HELD ON
SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2017, at 2:00 p.m., in the Commons.

EL SACRAMENTO DE BAUTISMO



El bautizo es el inicio de nuestra Vida Católica y es el sacramento más importante que recibimos. Si es que su niño es menor de 7 años, y desea bautizarlo, los padres y padrinos deben atender a una clase Pre-Bautismal. Nuestra Iglesia Santa María ofrece estas clases 4 veces al año.

Las proximas clases serán el Domingo, 30 de Abril, 2017 a las 2:30 p.m. en la Casa Blanca (The Commons).

Para más información o si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor llamar a la Sra Evelyn, (860) 997-0627.

Next Baptism meeting Sunday, July 23, 2017, 2:30 p.m., at The Commons.

Las proximas clases serán el Domingo, 23 de Julio a las 2:30pm en la Casa Blanca (The Commons)



Life Teen meets every Sunday (unless otherwise noted) from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., in the Commons. Dinner served. All high school teens and friends are invited.

April 23: Catholic, Protestant and World Religions.
April 30: What is Love?
Car Windshield Wash
during 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses
Mark Stars, Youth Minister (740-223-8656)



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Classes are Wednesdays,
7:00-8:30 p.m., in the Commons.

April 26: Open Forum: Stump the Priest!
Potluck Dinner

*For more information, please call Deb Ketcham
at 740-361-4602.*

THANK YOU

Thank you to Father Schmit for the beautiful homily and celebration of the Rites of Initiation for our eight new Catholics, and thank you to the Altar Servers who did a marvelous job and Deacon Dwight Larcomb.

Thank you to the Hispanic Community for the delicious tamales, tortillas and bunelos (elephant ears), and thank you to the Reese Family (Steve, Kim, Trent and Seth) for their wonderful work in serving the food and helping with cleanup afterward. Thank you to Vincenza Alves for the beautiful (and delicious) Easter cakes and to everyone who donated cookies.

Thank you to Pat Baldinger and Sheila Roberts for helping with decorating Moira Hall, and to Mike Nicolosi for assisting with placing the flowers in the sanctuary.

Thank you to all the parishioners who prayed for our Neophytes, participated in the Easter Vigil, and who took a moment to celebrate with us.



He is risen! Alleluia!

The RCIA Team

**Neophytes: Laneysa Johnson,
Andrew Burdick,
Bonnie Klages,
Christine Romine,
Phil Wright,
Mary Bratt,
Marvin Bratt,
David Reams**



Young at Heart:

For those 55 and over and guests.

The next Young at Heart Luncheon will be Wednesday, April 26, at 1:00 p.m., at Carlyles on State Route 95 in Marion. Please call Eva Blankenship at 740-361-7528 for reservations.



Support the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in over 20 countries, many of which are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of Soviet rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccee.



MCFL Flower Fund Raiser

Marion Citizens for Life will be holding our annual **Flower Fund Raiser on Saturday, May 13th**. If you ordered flowers last year and would like to purchase those again, they will be reserved for you from 9:00-10:30 a.m., for pick-up. After that time, all flowers will be available for sale to the public, from 10:30-11:30 a.m. The location of the sale and pick-up will be the APEX Church parking lot (former Marion Catholic High School). No pre-orders will be taken this year. Cash and check will be accepted.

St. Dominic Gospel Choir Concert on April 30, 2017

If you know "Can't Nobody Do Me Like Jesus," then you need to attend the St. Dominic Gospel Choir Concert on April 30, 2017, at 5:00 p.m., in the church. Come and praise Him through song. Come early to get a good seat. Under the direction of Vernon Hairston, will feature the SDC Youth Choir, Teeny Tucker and Shari Williams. Free and Open to the public.

Visit us on the St. Dominic website at stdominic-church.org.



Bishop Robert Barron's CATHOLICISM: *The Pivotal Players* showcases a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of western civilization.

Journey with Bishop Barron to explore the lasting influence of these Pivotal Players.

For more information, go to: <http://pivotalplayers.wordonfire.org/>.

Who: All women of St. Mary Parish

When: Begins Monday, May 1, 2017,
from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Where: Commons

For more information, please call Mary Dutton at 740-361-0121.

A Thank-You from the St. Vincent de Paul Society



We wish to offer thanks to the dozens of volunteers who helped rejuvenate the interior of the St. Vincent de Paul Society Thrift Center and Food Pantry. Special thanks goes to Dave Field and his team for generously supplying construction materials, labor and expertise. Also, thank you to John Thiel who graciously donated electrical materials and labor. There were also dozens of parishioners who worked to organize our clothing, books, electronics, housewares, shoes, and furniture areas, and we are in their debt! We will continue to rejuvenate the outside of our facility, and our methods of outreach into the community.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society cannot continue its mission of feeding the hungry without your continued financial generosity and donation of your time. We have an ongoing need for donations of like-new clothing and household goods and furniture, as well as a need for more volunteers to continue the mission. Every donation and sale helps supply food to our neighbors here in Marion.

Volunteer skill sets that are needed are: customer service workers in the pantry and thrift center, organizers and sorters for donated items, food pantry registry personnel, maintenance people, social media and computer-skilled people, as well as people with marketing ideas and talents. No matter what skills and knowledge you possess, you can add value!

Please stop by the center to volunteer. You might find a bargain while you're here!

Apostolic Nuncio to Lecture at Josephinum

The Pontifical College Josephinum is pleased to announce that His Excellency, The Most Reverend Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States and Chancellor of the Josephinum, will present the Pio Cardinal Laghi Lecture on **Sunday, April 23, 2017**. Archbishop Pierre will speak on "The Priest the Church Needs Today," at **7:00 p.m., in the Jessing Center** on the Josephinum campus at 7625 North High Street. The lecture and reception following are free and open to the public. Reservations are not required. For more information, please call the Academic Dean's Office at 614-985-2274.

Celebrate TWO great Moms this Mother's Day Weekend!

Honor the Blessed Mother and your own favorite earthly mother or mother figure in your life by attending a special Marian event at St. Peter & Paul Retreat Center in Newark Ohio on Saturday, May 13th – the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Fatima!

Catholic author/speaker/radio host Elizabeth Ficocelli will present "*Spiritual Warfare in the Age of Mary*," a dynamic presentation that recounts key visits of Our Lady over the past two centuries, and how she is preparing us to fight the evil we see so rampant in the world today.

The event runs from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., and includes continental breakfast and a book-signing. Registration is \$20.00, and can be made by contacting info@stspeterandpaulretreatcenter.or, visiting www.stspeterandpaulretreatcenter.com or calling 1-740-928-4246.

Catholic Camporee

**May 19-20, in Somerset, OH,
at St. Joseph's Catholic Church**

You are invited to the Catholic Camporee! Do you have a favorite Saint, Hero or Angel? If you don't, you will by the end of the camporee. Join friends for devotion, discussion dynamic games and delicious food at the Church the Dittoe's founded. There will be games and music, too.

To register, visit <http://www.cdeducation.org/YouthYoungAdult/CatholicScouting.aspx>,

or contact Kevin Miller at kmiller@millerwatson.com.

Day Camp Grades 1-5:	Time: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Saturday (after Mass); Fee is \$15.00.
Overnight Camping Grades 6-12:	Time: 6:30 p.m., Friday- 10:00 a.m, Sunday; Fee is \$45.00.
Adult Formation on Saturday:	Fee is \$15.00.