

***Intercessory Prayer Ministry***

Announcing a new and much needed program in and for St Mary's; we call it "Family Ties." This name speaks of the ties of Mary with Jesus and the Father. It reflects our ties as a parish family. It points to our ties through the Internet.

How does it work? Those who choose to participate will receive an email asking them to pray for a person or a need. We ask that the person pray at least one decade of the rosary for the request (10 Hail Marys, 1 Our Father and 1 Glory Be)

What do we need? First, someone to volunteer to input all the names into their computer and then be willing to send out the prayer requests. Secondly, for those who want to commit themselves to this important ministry to sign up using the sheet on the back tables.

What do you need? A caring heart and a computer, and a willingness to pray for others and a few minutes each day. The sick of our parish need and depend on our prayers. Please know, that as you help others, you will benefit even more – prayer makes a difference.

Please take a moment and sign up at the back tables or drop your name and email address in the collection basket.

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***Holy Hour for Life***

Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, offered at two different times for your convenience: 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM and again at 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Try to join with Deacon Paul to pray for life.

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***10<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Retreat***

All candidates are expected to attend the retreat next Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the Emmaus Youth Center (25 Metropolitan Dr, Riverside). The retreat begins at 10:00AM and ends at 4:00 PM. A lunch will be provided.

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***Adoration is in the Chapel every Wednesday***

***What is next?***

On the second floor of the rectory, in the front corner nearest the church, we have installed all new windows. Now we have to get some shades for them and have them installed. I am not talking about expensive drapes but cheap blinds. Then there is more work to do on the rectory porch to make it useable this spring.

The money that comes in marked "Restore Her Beauty" will be used to accomplish these two tasks. The project of the interior restoration of the church is finished and paid in full. We have no debt with the diocese. Our only outstanding debt is for the organ. The church is finished and it looks beautiful. Every time I enter the church I can't believe how truly outstanding and magnificent it is. Every parishioner who contributed and prayed for this effort should be very proud. Many people have told me that they believe this to be the most beautiful church in the diocese. It is a reflection of your love for St Mary's and God. Thank you for all that you have done – God is happy!

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***Pray – Pray***

Please remember the intentions of our military personnel and the sick of the parish in your daily prayers. Every day some one calls in need of your prayers. Every moment some soldier is in danger.

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***Reruns from last week***

The "Alive" activity has been postponed. Diane Magee has been names parish trustee. Fr. Barry still feels badly about the children's liturgy being canceled and has a member of the parish council researching the best way to offer meaningful liturgies to our children.

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***Yes, the email intercessory prayer ministry will soon be expanded to include a phone chain.***



Saturday, Jan. 16 <sup>th</sup>	
4:00 PM	Deceased members of the Principe and Savino families requested by their family
5:45 PM	<b>Wedding: Timothy P. Walsh and Melissa B. Hoh</b>
Sunday, Jan. 17 <sup>th</sup>	
8:30 AM	James P. Dumas requested by Cynthia and Mark Ferguson
10:00 AM	Deceased members of the Cordeiro family requested by Theresa Cordeiro Kruger
11:30 AM	Mary Lucier (16 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) requested by Russell and Irene Head
Monday, Jan 18 <sup>th</sup>	
8:00 AM	Ann Donelan and Margaret Van Orden requested by Jean and Betty Vermette
Tuesday, Jan 19 <sup>th</sup>	
8:00 AM	Margaret Wagner requested by her sister, Sr. Joeline RSM
Wednesday, Jan 20 <sup>th</sup>	
8:00 AM	Josephine Caizzi and Mary Brinza requested by their family
Thursday, Jan 21 <sup>st</sup>	
8:00 AM	Peggy Belmore requested by her family
Friday, Jan 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
8:00 AM	Grace Lucier requested by Sr. Joeline and Sr. Edwin RSM
Saturday, Jan. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	
4:00 PM	Edward Mello (3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary) requested by his family
Sunday, Jan. 24 <sup>th</sup>	
8:30 AM	Anna Netto requested by Harbor Lights of St. Mary's
10:00 AM	Francis Butler (9 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) requested by his family
11:30 AM	Victoria Sousa requested by Richard and Christine Matrone



**THIS MONDAY  
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
DAY**



Thank you for reading beyond the headline. I am sorry to say that we need to raise our offertory collections. We are not going to add a second collection, nor are we going to continually hound you. However, I do need to ask each person to do the best they can in supporting St. Mary's parish. I will include the results from last week's collection envelopes. I ask you to be thoughtful and prayerful about what you drop in the basket. It seems the people that are using budget envelopes are doing a very good job supporting their parish. But the majority not using envelopes only contributes a small percentage of the total collection. Please help!

Number of envelopes containing the following amounts: 69 people gave \$5.00, 74 people gave \$10.00, 56 people gave \$20.00, 30 people gave \$25.00, 15 people gave \$50.00 or more.



Our Harbor Lights group in conjunction with Conway Tours will have their monthly bus trip to **Foxwoods** on **Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**. The trip departs at 7:30 AM and returns at 5:00 PM. The cost is \$17 including food and Keno coupons. Contact Marshall Netto. at 253-9231 for information/reservations. You do not need to be a member of Harbor Lights to participate.



The Missionary Image of **Our Lady of Guadalupe** will be on display at St. Elizabeth's Church this **Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>** from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM followed by a Holy Hour. Our Lady of Guadalupe is a celebrated Catholic Icon of the Virgin Mary also known as the Virgin of Guadalupe. According to the traditional account, the image appeared miraculously on the cloak of Juan Diego, a simple indigenous peasant, on the hill of Tepeyac near Mexico City on December 12, 1531. The icon is on display in the Basilica of Guadalupe in the same locality and is regarded as Mexico's most popular religious and cultural image.

This week the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of **Walter St. Germain** requested by his daughter Ann. Please remember him in your prayers.



**PRAY FOR PEACE**

