



Congratulations
1st Holy Communion Class of 2010

Dear Parishioners,

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to our new first communicants. May you always know the experience of receiving Jesus in your heart and life through the Blessed Sacrament. I would also like to thank the teachers, parents, Director of Religious Education, and others involved in preparing our young people and our ceremony. You are fulfilling the promises you made at baptism to bring your children up in the practice of the faith.

This coming Wednesday I leave for vacation for two weeks. It has been about five years since I've taken such a long vacation, and I am truly ready for it. Please keep me in your prayers, and you will certainly be in mine. Don't forget about the DSA commitment envelopes, please!

Fr. Bill Wegher

2010 BEACH BASH

Shoes full of sand, tummy full of food and hearts full of generosity! Our 13th annual school auction rolled in at high tide and with it came big waves and big bids. Attendance was tremendous and our volunteers were awesome. The time and effort put forth is well worth it when the evening comes together and our combined talents bring laughter and friendship the night of the auction – A special thanks to the St. Mary Men's Club, St. Mary Knights of Columbus, Rebecca Keiser and the St. Mary Youth Group, the church office staff and all the parishioners who attended or volunteered for the event.

With "beach buckets" full of respect,
The 2010 Beach Bash Auction Team

OPEN ENROLLMENT

St. Mary School is now open for enrollment for the 2010-2011 school year. St. Mary School is a Preschool thru 8th grade school offering students more one on one attention with smaller class sizes, a faith based curriculum, and a teaching staff with over 215 years of combined teaching experience. St. Mary students have the opportunity to live their faith by attending Mass one to two times weekly and by beginning each day with all school Morning Prayer led by the students. Our students continue to have high test scores on MEAP tests and are well prepared for high school. We also offer before and after school Latchkey. To better serve the community, we will be offering **preschool 2 to 5 days a week** for children ages 3 to 5 years old with the option of afternoon day care available for those who need it. We also offer an afternoon Young 5's program for children who are not yet ready for kindergarten. If you would like to come in to visit the school or to register your child, please contact the school office at 734-878-5616.

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| <i>Karly Blaszkowski</i> | <i>Ethan Lesz</i> |
| <i>Anelise Bogin</i> | <i>Zabrina LeVasseur</i> |
| <i>Joseph Bona</i> | <i>Caleb Liebert</i> |
| <i>Rachel Bona</i> | <i>Jordon Loukotka</i> |
| <i>Nicolas Brousseau</i> | <i>Angela Mable</i> |
| <i>Nicholas Brown</i> | <i>Nicholas Malcolm</i> |
| <i>Gabrielle Bylski</i> | <i>Katherine Mallia</i> |
| <i>Molly Carney</i> | <i>Coy Maloney</i> |
| <i>Carlee Christopher</i> | <i>Alexander Mayer</i> |
| <i>Courtney Clark</i> | <i>Angel McCoy</i> |
| <i>Jonathon Clark</i> | <i>Allison McGinty</i> |
| <i>Andrew Davis</i> | <i>Stephen McGlade</i> |
| <i>Luke deBeauclair</i> | <i>Hannah Menosky</i> |
| <i>Cullen DeYoung</i> | <i>Abigail Mondro</i> |
| <i>Anna Domen</i> | <i>Trevor Nagy</i> |
| <i>Ryan Fackler</i> | <i>Mara Norton</i> |
| <i>Adam Falinski</i> | <i>Caroline O'Donohue</i> |
| <i>Kimberly Flaherty</i> | <i>Owen Orlovski</i> |
| <i>Meghan Germain</i> | <i>Hanna Perkins</i> |
| <i>Wyland Gorman</i> | <i>Anthony Redpath</i> |
| <i>John Grossmeyer</i> | <i>George Reynolds</i> |
| <i>Stephanie Hall</i> | <i>John Salowitz</i> |
| <i>Nicholas Hanshue</i> | <i>Anastasia Schlaff</i> |
| <i>Megan Haynes</i> | <i>Andrew Schlaff</i> |
| <i>Rachel Hoffman</i> | <i>Bethany Singer</i> |
| <i>Danielle Hunter</i> | <i>Jack Sleeman</i> |
| <i>Daniel Jenkins</i> | <i>Elise Trost</i> |
| <i>Madison Jenkins</i> | <i>Kaitlin Walling</i> |
| <i>Devin Jones</i> | <i>Nathan Warshal</i> |
| <i>Madasyn Justice</i> | <i>Grant Wing</i> |
| <i>Jasmine Karbon</i> | <i>Paige Wise</i> |
| <i>Nathan Kwapisz</i> | <i>Benjamin Wittrup</i> |
| <i>Matthew Larmee</i> | <i>Keith Yahr</i> |

Religious Education & Sacramental Prep 2010-2011 Registration

2010-11 Sessions: Summer 2010, Sunday 2010-11, Confirmation, 1st Reconciliation, and Eucharist. We do have a home school program and are surveying for a weekday program.

When and Where to Register:

- Sundays during Religious Education in April and May in School/Religious Ed Offices.
- Wednesday, April 28th from 5-8pm in the Multipurpose Room.
- Thursday, May 6th from 9-11am in multi-use room.
- Wednesday, May 19th from 5-8pm in the multi-purpose room.
- Parish Office (Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm)

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you know someone who may be interested in becoming Catholic?

Have you ever invited another to explore the Catholic Faith?

Please join us for our upcoming meetings:

- May 2 Mystagogia Mtg Worship Space 12:45-1:45
- May 16 Pot-Luck Picnic off campus 2:00pm

For more details about this process, Please call the office at 734-878-2217, ext.218.

**Faith Formation
Kindergarten - Confirmation**

Religious Education K-8

- 04/25 NO CLASS
- 05/02 10:15-11:20am Class (K-8)

1st Eucharist Formation

- 04/25 Sign Up Pictures
- 04/25 1:30pm 1st Eucharist Liturgy

Confirmation

Next Session: 05/01/10 Retreat

(Sign up for Pastoral Interviews!! Forms given out 04/18/10)



Come walk with us!

St. Mary Women's Group!

9 Beautiful Souls met last Monday and we welcome you to walk your journey with us! Join other women in faith and fellowship on **Monday, April 26th from 7:00-8:30pm** in

Conference Room B. Call the office at 734-878-3161 or Beth Corwin at 517-518-0703 to RSVP or inquire. The group will meet every other Monday evening.

Topic: (Continuation)

"Beauty at the Heart of Everything"

YOU ARE INVITED

TO OUR ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT

You are invited to spend a relaxing, spiritually insightful weekend with the men of our parish Friday evening to Sunday noon (May 14-16, 2010) at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center. The retreat theme this year is "Knowing the God of Jesus." Register today by calling John Schenden at 734-878-3291 or Dale Pepper at 734-878-9454, or contact the retreat center directly at 313-535-9563.

Men's Club News

Thanks to hard work and the incredible support we received for our recent Fish Dinner Events, the Men's Club proudly presented a check to the Parish for \$3000 to be used for special needs within our Parish. We again express our appreciation to our many patrons and the army of volunteers who unselfishly gave of their time and energy.

CEMETERY WORK DAY

As we continue the process to renew and enhance the beauty of our cemetery, we have scheduled another work day for **Saturday, May 1st at 9:00am**. Our goal is to get an early start on the season before everyone's time is taken up with sports, graduation and most importantly Mother's Day! Additionally we want the clean-up scheduled before the Memorial Day Mass at the Cemetery on Saturday, May 29th.

Bring your rakes, saws, gloves, wheelbarrows or whatever else you can think of so we can continue our challenge to enhance our cemetery. We will start at 9am and I would hope to be able to call it a day around noon so that we all can get back to our families to enjoy the remaining weekend with them! *(Coffee and doughnuts available in the morning & hot dogs & refreshments for lunch!)*

God Bless, St Mary Cemetery Committee

MAY CROWNING

Please join us as we honor Mary, Our Mother, on Sunday, May 2nd, at 10:15 am. All school age children are encouraged to put their name in a drawing to crown Mary. A girl and a boy will be chosen to do the honors. We would like to encourage all First Communion children to join the procession and dress in their First Communion clothes. We will honor Mary with a brief service of songs and devotions. Please bring fresh flowers to present to Our Blessed Mother.

MUSIC MINISTRY NOTES

HYMN FESTIVAL

All are invited to a Diocesan-Wide HYMN FESTIVAL to be held at Saint Patrick Church, 711 Rickett Road, Brighton, MI on Tuesday, April 27 at 7:30 pm in the Church. The one-hour program in the Church will be followed by a gala reception in McCann Hall. Guest Presenters will be Robert Batastini and Kelly Dobbs Mickus. The event is sponsored by our Diocesan NPM (The National Association of Pastoral Musicians) Lansing Chapter. It is free and open to all.



What is a Hymn Festival?

This hymn festival, with Kelly Dobbs Mickus at the organ, is built upon the hymn texts of modern writers set to tunes everyone knows. The narration focuses upon the importance of congregational song, and specifically hymns in the worship life of the church. (This Hymn Festival will focus on hymns for the Lent and Easter liturgical seasons.)

BREAKFAST

Join us on Sunday, May 2nd, as St. Mary's Men's Club sponsors our monthly Country Style Breakfast! Breakfast is served 8:30am until 11am and is a free-will donation. Proceeds will help provide funding for the Parish "Pinckney Community Festival" Team. We have the best menu in the area which includes: fried or scrambled eggs, hash browns, biscuits and gravy, French toast, pancakes, quiche, ham, pork sausage, and of course our renowned "waffle station". Our Musical guest star, Cinderella looks to have all the young ladies join her in their Princess Costumes. Multi-chance raffles add to the festivities. Everyone is welcome!





YOUNG ADULT TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, May 1, 2010, 7:00pm

Hosted by Livingston YAM at
St. John the Baptist

2099 N. Hacker Rd., Howell

\$10 per person, Tables of eight - Register individually or gather a team! Bring an appetizer to share at your table. Cash prizes & door prizes will be awarded! Contact Shannon ASAP to reserve a spot - first 3 tables will receive free drink tickets - don't delay!

LivingstonYAM@gmail.com or (810)229-9863 x221

CATHOLIC MEN'S NIGHT will be on Thursday evening, May 6, 2010. The speaker for the evening will be Marty Bodnar, who is the Associate AD at the U/M and in his seventh year as Director of Ticket Sales. He is a former Michigan basketball player and co-captain of the 1979-80 team. He was a two time Academic All-American and was awarded an NCAA Post Graduate Scholarship. Marty spent 14 years practicing law before accepting his current position from the U/M. The title of his talk is: "God is Speaking – Are you Listening".

Gather your friends and come for Mass, to hear the talk and to enjoy the fellowship and refreshments. We will meet at the "Red Barn", which is the Parish Center Gym of Christ the King Catholic Church and will begin at 7:30 pm. All men are welcome. More information and directions on the web at: www.catholic-men.org or call 734-930-4524

The Love INC Bedding Ministry, coordinated by St. Agnes Catholic Church in Fowlerville is in need of:

- Pillows
- Full and Queen Mattress Pads
- Blankets, full and queen

Items can be dropped off at the Love INC office or St. Agnes, 855 E. Grand River, Fowlerville

SEWING ANGELS

The Howell Big Boy Restaurant (2222 E. Grand River, Howell, MI) is sponsoring a benefit for *Sewing Angels* on Tuesday, April 27, 2010, from 5pm-9pm. The Big Boy management will donate 10% of the dinner sales. There will be a quiet keyboard dinner music and a Chinese Raffle of handmade items. *Sewing Angels* is a volunteer non-profit group of creative women who have sent over 1,200 blankets to our troops wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan. Please come and show your support to those who are giving their all to keep us safe at home. For further information email sewingangels@yahoo.com or call Rita at 517-546-4733.

St. Mary Presents - Detroit Historical Church Tours Thursday, May 20th ~ \$59 per person

Trip Includes: Round trip motorcoach, tour of 4 historical churches, & buffet style lunch

Reservation Deadline: 04/29/10 Call: Lisa at 734-475-1913

COUPLE TO COUPLE LEAGUE

For engaged and married couples wanting to learn some practical aspects of living a chaste and holy life within their marriage covenant, The Couple to Couple League (CCL) will be offering a series of Natural Family Planning (NFP) classes, beginning in May. The cost of materials for each series is \$135.00 per couple, which includes the manual, *The Art of Natural Family Planning*, a thermometer, charts, a workbook, CCL membership, and the CCL newsletter. Any interested engaged or married couple should pre-register. Class details follow:

• Beginning Saturday, May 15, 2010

Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon. Location: Christ the King Ann Arbor, Michigan. This NFP series will be taught by Albert and Becky Faraj, a CCL Certified Teaching Couple, and the dates this series include May 15, June 19, and July 17. Please pre-register. Interested couples may go online at www.ccli.org to locate the classes nearest them and to register. If you have any questions, contact Albert or Becky at ccl.annarbor@gmail.com or at 734-994-3999.



MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The applications for the Tricia T. Berger Music Scholarship are now available in the school and parish offices. To be eligible for the scholarship, a student must be currently in grades K-11 *and* must have attended St. Mary School for at least one year. The purpose of the scholarship is to help pay for private music lessons. **Applications are due May 15**, and recipients will be notified by phone by June 10. Sincerely,

Ms. Lynn M. Trierweiler, scholarship committee member

COME ONE – COME ALL

**Please join us on
Friday, May 7th for a
Delicious Spaghetti Dinner!!!**



The dinner will be served 4:30pm until 7pm in the multi-use room. The dinner will be held in memory of Tricia Berger, a former St. Mary School music teacher. Free-will donations will be accepted for the Tricia T. Berger Music Scholarship Fund.

RAFFLE

It is not too late to return your raffle ticket money. There is a chance to win every week. We pull out a \$500 winner on May 23rd (Pentecost) and then a \$1,000 winner on June 27th (Parish Festival). We have extra tickets available, if interested contact the parish office.

Congratulations to the following raffle ticket winners for

Sunday, April 18, 2010:

\$25 winners-

Beth McMullen

Jodi Gonzalez

Richard & Imelda Liddy

Karen Portelli

Leo Gonzalez

**Polish Dinner and Dance at St. Joseph Howell
Saturday, May 1st from 6:15 to 10:00 PM**

Dinner Includes: Homemade Golabki, Pierogi, & Sauerkraut, Kielbasa, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans, Applesauce, Salad and Roll, Beverages
Ticket Prices for Dinner: \$8 Adult \$7 Senior \$5 Kids
Live Polka Band and Raffle Drawing
Call 517.546.0090 Ext. 105

Middle School Youth Group!

Date:	Time:	Even
04/25	7:00pm-8:00pm	Adoration
04/27	7:00pm-8:30pm	Youth Group

If you have any questions please call Rebecca at 734-878-2217 ext. 203 or email rkeiser@stmarypinckney.org

Report for April 19, 2010		
Parishioner Donations -Giving Back To The Lord		
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
		07/01/09 -04/19/10
Offertory	\$ 14,949.77	\$ 610,482.54
Operating Budget Reqmnt	\$ <u>13,349.04</u>	\$ <u>560,659.68</u>
Variance	\$ 1,600.73	\$ 49,822.86
Debt Reduction/FaithQuest Collected	\$ 874.00	\$ 48,669.72
Mortgage Payment Requirement		\$ 375,150.00
Mortgage Amount Paid		\$ <u>100,000.00</u>
Shortfall		\$ (275,150.00)

Thank you for your generous donations!



DISCOUNT CARDS FOR SALE!

Everyone loves a discount! So how about a discount card that you can use everyday until April 4, 2011? The youth are selling discount cards that give the owner deals at 20 businesses in Pinckney, Hamburg, Brighton and Howell. Cards are \$10.00 each and are available in the Parish Office or Contact the Religious Education and Youth Ministry Office@ 734-878-2217 ext. 203 or youth@stmarypinckney.org



The Golden Rule Poster Contest

For all grades K-12
Sponsored by Middle School Youth Ministries
Entries due May 10th by 4:30pm

Must include, explain and promote "The Golden Rule" in an appropriate manner. Poster should be eye catching and 11"x17" in size. See handout in the gathering space for more information on entry requirements and prizes!

JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Date: Tuesday's May 4 – 25, 2010
Time: 10:30am – 12pm
Location: Brighton District Library
Who: Adults who have experienced the loss of a loved one
Facilitator: Rev. Dr. Nancy Doty, M.Div., D.Min.
Hospice of Michigan
Registration Required: Call 734-769-4524 x 5821
Email: ndoty@hom.org



Youth Flower Sale! May 8-9th !

Mark the date...youth will be selling Hanging Baskets and holding the drawing for the Quilt being raffled.



**St. Mary Youth Ministries
Quilt Raffle!**

Tickets are on sale for our annual quilt raffle. This year it will be raffled after 11:30 Mass on May 9th, Mother's Day! This year's quilt is a beautiful pastel design we are calling "The Promise of Spring!" Call 734-878-2217 ext. 203 or stop in the office to purchase your tickets.

Youth Ministry

Website: <http://youth.stmarypinckney.org>
Meetings and youth group nights will be held in the youth room. Please use back door by the playground for drop off and pick up.

High School Youth Group!

Date:	Time:	Event:
04/25	7:00pm-8:00pm	Adoration
04/28	7:00pm-9:00pm	Youth Group

If you have any questions please call 734-878-2217 ext. 203 or email youth@stmarypinckney.org

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 9th

Turn in your Mother's Day envelope by Thursday, May 6th.

MASS INTENTIONS – April 25 - May 2

Sunday, April 25 – 4th Sunday of Easter

9:00am: For the Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society by R.A.S.
11:30am: For Our Parish

Monday, April 26

9:00am: Communion Service

Tuesday, April 27

9:00am: Communion Service
5:00pm: In Memory of Fatima & Sami Elezi by Family

Wednesday, April 28 – St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Mary deMontfort

9:00am: NO MASS

Thursday, April 29 – St. Catherine of Siena

9:00am: NO MASS

Friday, April 30 – St. Pius V

9:00AM: NO MASS

Saturday, May 1 – St. Joseph the Worker

8:30am (Chapel): Communion Service
5:00pm: In Memory of Theresa Bruce
By Vince & Denise LaRosa

Sunday, May 2– 5th Sunday of Easter

9:00am: For Our Parish
11:30am: In Honor of Debbie Miller by Family

COMMUNION SERVICE LEADERS

April 26-27: D. Hall, J. Wilson

May 3-4: D. Hall, G. Wizgird

WEEKLY READINGS – April 25 – May 1

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 110/Rev 7:9, 14-17/Jn 10:27-30

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5/Ps 67/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98/Jn 14:7-14

OUR PRAYER LIST

May God's healing hand reach out and hold you:

Victoria Barnowski, Denise Biskner, Lyle Kinsey, Harry Kroth, Sherry Thibodeau, Chuck Makins, John Penrod, Sr. Gretchen Elliott

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

4th Sunday of Easter

Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached. We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But, the Gospel assures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life.



LAY MINISTERS – May 1 - 2

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

5:00pm: Self-Scheduling by Sign-Up.

9:00am: Self-Scheduling by Sign-Up.

11:30am: Self-Scheduling by Sign-Up.

Proclaimers of the Word

5:00pm: B. Corwin, D. Denome

9:00am: S. Kuschel, D. Leonard

11:30am: T. Burke, L. Read

Ushers

5:00pm: Self-Scheduling by Attendance

9:00am: Self-Scheduling by Attendance

11:30am: Self-Scheduling by Attendance

Greeters

5:00pm: Nalepa Family

9:00am: Menosky Family

11:30am: M. Bodine, W. Brown

Altar Servers

5:00pm: L. Jasinski (Cross), G. Burton, J. Burton

9:00am: R. Menosky (Cross), O. Menosky, J. Cross

11:30am: R. Burke (Cross), B. Burke, S. Miller

Offertory Gifts

5:00pm: Please sign up.

9:00am: Please sign up.

11:30am: Please sign up.

Home Chalice Program

Please sign up.

Linens – April: R. Miller, M. Sheehan

May: J. Wilson, C. Kiel

Cleaning the Altar – April: J. Helmboldt

May: M. E. Bodine

Collection Counters

April 26: M. Glynn, G. Aten, R. Layman, P. McGlade

May 3: S. Kronk, D. Eggleston, B. Zielinski, M. Ulman



Please pray for those who are serving in the Armed Forces, especially:

William V. Backlund III, Tim Begley, Christopher Bullion, Gabe Campbell, Kymberly deBeauclair, Jason (Hennigan) Cecchetti, Fred Dehn, Matt Ducummon, Jeff Gabel, Michael Ganzak, Erik Hennigan, Cody Floyd,

Kevin Martin, Michael McInerney, Sean Rooker, Anthony Sparks, Jonathon Stepp, Kenneth & Sherri Streu, Jesse Sutton, Kurt Whitlow, Steven Whoolery

MASS INTENTIONS

Are you having trouble choosing a gift for that someone special? You could consider having a Mass Intention in their honor. We also offer Mass Intentions for those loved ones who are deceased. There is no better way to show our love for someone than to offer our prayers for them. Please give our parish office a call at 734-878-3161 if interested in this unique gift.

Bulletin articles are due on Tuesdays at noon!