November 26, 2017

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
A stranger and you welcomed me,
Naked and you clothed me,
Ill and you cared for me,
In prison and you visited me.

MATTHEW 25:35–36
St. Mary of Gostyn Church, Downers Grove

Children’s Choir

Christmas Eve 4:00 PM - Sunday Dec. 24, 2017

All St. Mary’s Children in Gr. 3-8 are Invited to Participate

St. Mary’s Parish Children’s Choir welcomes additional singers for our Christmas Eve liturgy on Sunday, December 24th. The mass is at 4:00 PM. If you would like to participate please fill out the form below and return it to the school, or religious education office as soon as possible. You can also e-mail it back. Our rehearsals take place in church and are held on:

Thursday, Nov. 30: 5:45-6:45 PM
Thursday, Dec 7: 5:45-6:45 PM
Thursday, Dec 14: 5:45-6:45 PM
Tuesday, Dec 19: 5:30-6:45 PM

Mr. Bisaillon, Parish Music Director
sbisaillon@stmarygostyn.org
phone 630-969-1063 ext 236

Mrs. Heather Durham, Parish Children’s Choir Director
hreusz@gmail.com

Yes! My child would like to participate in the Christmas Eve Children’s Choir
December 24, 2017 4:00 PM

Child’s Name: (Please print clearly)
___________________________________________________________________________

Child’s grade:_________ School_______________________________________________________

Parent Signature:__________________________________ Phone:____________________________________

E mail: _______________________________________________________________________________

Additional contact information or questions:
We celebrate today what is popularly and traditionally called the Feast of Christ the King. This is also the beginning of the last week of our Catholic Liturgical Year, as the New Year begins with Advent next Sunday. We often mention that time is a gift to us; this idea of measuring Church time is also a gift, but do we truly appreciate it?

People tend to say “I go to church.” In reality, Christ does not call us to “go” to church; He calls us to be Church. We should live our lives in such a way that it is clear we are Catholic and Christian and part of Christ’s Kingdom, for He is our King. Were you aware that the name “Christ” is a royal title in itself? In Greek it means “the anointed king.”

St. Paul referred to the Lord as “king of kings and lord of lords,” a phrase with which we are familiar. If we accept Christ as our King, and if we live our lives as His disciples and followers we are certainly part of His Kingdom. Pope Pius XI instituted today’s solemnity in 1925 at a time when many countries were struggling with total loyalty to secular royalty. Pius XI wanted Catholics to recognize that their loyalty was to a higher power, their spiritual king in heaven.

Pius XI wrote at that time, “For Jesus Christ reigns over the minds of individuals by His teachings, in their hearts by His love, in each one’s life by the living according to His law and the imitating of His example.”

Jesus says that when we do any of these things for the least of our brothers, we do them for him. Can you imagine that when you do these things for others, it is like doing them for Jesus himself? Jesus has a special love for those who are suffering and in need.

How can you help care for those who suffer or are in need?

You can bring food items to our parish food pantry each week (bins are provided at the entrances of church). You can welcome new people to the parish, greeting them at weekend Masses as they enter. You can donate clean clothes or warm winter coats. You can pray for those who are sick or imprisoned.

Our God, our Shepherd and King, created us and gave us the ability to do these things for one another. Love God, love one another, care for one another, and live as Jesus taught us to live.
Due to the early production date of this bulletin, the November 19th collection is unavailable.

In today’s Gospel, Saint Matthew offers a compelling vision of the end-time, when the people of all nations are brought before the Lord to give an account of their lives and actions. Interestingly, the sheep, the righteous ones, are rewarded for having acted with love and compassion without having recognized the face of Christ in others. Good stewards recognize those in need of their care as gifts from God. They know that they are instruments of Christ’s active, loving presence in the world. How will we treat others this week: our family members, neighbors, customers, strangers? What accounting will we make to the Lord for their care?

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**Stewardship**

We are currently in the process of hiring a Parish Youth Minister (Part-time)

For a complete job description visit our homepage at

www.stmarygostyn.org/About Us/Employment Opportunities
Vocation Awareness Week
November 5th to 11th, 2017

THE FAMILY

Yes! It starts in your family. A vocation is a personal calling, a mission, a purpose... more than a career. The Christian Vocation is our holy call to follow Christ and is answered in Marriage, Single life, Priesthood, Diaconate, and Consecrated Life (Sister, Brother, or Missionary.)

All Christian vocations can lead to heaven!

What can I do?

1. Parents: Pray often that each of your children will hear God's true vocation for them.

2. Parents: Talk about your vocation and tell your children that you will support them the entire way if they feel the call to explore religious life.

3. Parishioners: Tell someone that they would make a great priest, deacon, sister, brother, mother or father one day and pray for them. (How will they know?)

If you are feeling a call to religious life, pray about it daily, and contact Fr. Shaun or Fr. Jim.

Lord Jesus, guide me to my true vocation. Amen.

Want to build a culture of vocations at SMG? Contact Fr. Shaun to join our vocation team.

The Heavenly Kingdom

Why does the Church continue to use the image of a king to describe Jesus? Jesus certainly didn’t act like a king, or expect his followers to treat him like a king.

Hereditary kings ruled over most of the nations in the ancient Near East. In some of the countries, like Egypt, the king was actually recognized as a god. In Israel, God was considered to be the one true king, and God’s covenant was the treaty that united God and the people.

But there came a time in their history when the Israelites thought they needed to strengthen themselves militarily and politically. At that point, the elders came to Samuel and asked him to appoint a king to govern them like the other nations (1 Sm 8:5). The king of Israel was considered the instrument of God. But was also subject to the existing codes of civil and religious law. The three great kings of Israel were Saul, David, and Solomon.

Throughout the New Testament runs the theme that Jesus, a descendant of the royal Davidic line, is a ruler or king. Jesus was first proclaimed a king by the Magi, who said that they were looking for the one who has been born "king of the Jews" (Mt 2:2).

At the heart of Jesus' message was the good news that all people could enter the kingdom of God, if they turned away from sin. Jesus used the parable of the mustard seed (Mk 4:30-32) to show that his kingdom is one that continues to grow until all life can be contained within its branches. Jesus also hands the kingdom on to his disciples. In Luke’s Gospel, Jesus tells us that God has handed the kingdom over to us (Lk 12:32).

The kingdom, which was first manifested in simplicity and love in the countryside of Galileo, is to reach its fulfillment in a great love among all people. Jesus as king is an image that hopefully compels us to recognize our commitment to love and serve others in his kingdom.
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2017
6:15 AM - Fr. John Kenny, CSP
8:00 AM - James Splawski req. Jim Splawski

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2017
6:15 AM - Kay Selfridge req. Esther Byrne
8:00 AM - Mary Belczak req. Jim & Rita Regis

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2017
6:15 AM - Donna Holas
8:00 AM - Marilyn Zubak req. Ron & Mary Buchler
Sal Madonia req. Moira & Bruce Barker

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2017
6:15 AM - Ron Rodi req. Bob & Ginger Jurish
8:00 AM - Charles Molitor req. Family
Living Intention for Andrea O’Campo Betz req. Family

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2017
6:15 AM - Robert Heaver
8:00 AM - Ron Rodi req. Gerry & Carolyn Mueller

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2017
8:00 AM - Paul Rhoades req. Mike & Mary Signer
4:30 PM - Martin Murphy req. Wade Family
Robert E. Murphy req. Kumiega Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2017
8:00 AM - People of the Parish
10:00 AM - Terrence Hawkins req. Logan Family
Nancy Billo req. Cousins
12:00 PM - Sally Van Cura req. Mike & Val Bava
6:00 PM - Carol Orseske req. Family

TODAY'S READINGS
First Reading - I will rescue my scattered sheep (Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17).
Psalm - The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).
Second Reading - As in Adam all die, so too in Christ all shall be brought to life (1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28).
Gospel - Whatever you did to the least ones, you did to me (Matthew 25:31-46).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37
ALTAR FLOWERS

A donation towards the beautiful flowers on the altar for Thanksgiving and this weekend was made by Jerome & Mary Ann Papienis in celebration of their 57th Wedding Anniversary.

Thank You & Congratulations!

A Warm Welcome

We welcome:
Gerald & Mary Beth Ryan
who registered at St. Mary of Gostyn Parish recently.

Book of the Dead

During the month of November, the Church honors our beloved dead. In memory of those loved ones who have gone before us, the Book of the Dead will be enshrined in the Prairie Street Narthex during the month of November. Please feel free to write the names of your loved ones in this book. These names will be remembered at mass during November.

Blood Drive

Sunday, November 26th
7:30 AM - 1:30 pm
Gathering Place

Walk-ins welcome!
Please bring a photo I.D.

Military Collection Thank You

Dear St. Mary’s Parishioners,

On behalf of hundreds of American servicemen and women, Operation Support Our Troops-America (OSOT-America) wants to thank you for your generous collection of 544 pounds of goods to be sent to the troops. At this time we are sending an average of one hundred packages a week.

We still have thousands of members of the armed forces in very difficult and dangerous living conditions. They need to know that we have not forgotten them. On our web site www.osotamerica.org you can read some of the responses from our package recipients, expressing their gratitude and telling us how these packages have lifted their morale. It is not only the contents of the package, but the love that is enclosed from people who care and make it possible.

Our entire staff of volunteers thanks you for being part of Operation Support Our Troops – America. Without your support and help we would not be able to continue our work. We sincerely appreciate your contribution and are very grateful.

Sincerely,

Jamie Nelson
Executive Director
Your Holiday Shopping Made Easy with Manna!

We have three sales before Christmas to order gift cards for holiday shopping or to give as gifts to those loved ones in your life.

Order dates will be Monday, November 27th, December 4th and the 11th. Orders received by 10 a.m. the day of the sale will be available for pick on Thursday by 2 p.m.

Order forms are available for pick-up at the Parish Center, Rectory or School Office. Proceeds from the sales benefit SMG!

Questions? manna@stmarygostyn.org

Grade 8

High Honors 4.0
Benjamin Romenesko
Dominic Ullmer
John Yahiro

1st Honors 3.5 – 3.99
Nicholas Ashley
Maxwell Babich
Josephine Bieda
Bridget Callaghan
Isabela Corcoran
Mick Flannery
Ryan Hubeny
Daniel Jones
Ned Kalata
Emily Labno
Gretchen Lucina
Margaret Martin
Kelsey McCann
Lila Napientek
Andrew Snyder
Emily Sparke

2nd Honors 3.0 – 3.49
Alaina Adams
Alexander Blacha
Madison Brennan
Michael Corcoran
Kaden Kumzi
John Martin
Emma Muersch
Grace Nelson
Edith Quandt
David Sobkowiak
Lucas Tarnow
Lucas Tschosik
Zachary Tschosik

Grade 7

High Honors 4.0
Ava Bechstein
Michael Budzynski
Olivia Cieplak
Celia Colucci
Moira Jermak

1st Honors 3.5 – 3.99
Maya Alikpala
Elizabeth Carlson
Lainey Devine
Benjamin Farrell
Christopher Fry
Mary Catherine Gaughan
Grace Tierney
Wilson Kramnic

2nd Honors 3.0 – 3.49
Mary Claire Albian
Raechel Boyle
Jamie Bukovsky
Madeline Casey
Nora Casey
Lucia Fernandez

Grade 6

High Honors 4.0
Erin Crowe
Dominic Krzeczkowski
Jennifer Lucina
Curtis Mysliwiec

1st Honors 3.5 – 3.99
Grace Babich
Brooke Bobbitt
Mary Kate Casey
Hugh Flannery
Joseph Giannola

2nd Honors 3.0 – 3.49
Evelyn Blacha
Logan Kumzi
Isabella Kurelko
Sophia Montalbano

Brett Nolan
Daniel Petersen
Ella Reiser
Erin Stapleton

Rory O’Connor
Alana Oplanic
Alexandra Ulisano
Tyler Wayman

Jordan Moran
Gabriella Okuku
Anna Walsh
Olivia Warmke

Evelyn Blacha
Logan Kumzi
Isabella Kurelko
Sophia Montalbano

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Olivia Warmke
The following persons have requested prayers from our parish community:

Judith Abella    Nicholas T. Almeida    Lois Bach    Anna Bandur    Gabriella Beirne
Abby Beranek    Kathy Berg    Sharon Binter    Bill Brown    Tom Brown
Felicia Bubula    Ann Clark    Margaret Corbett    Helen Czulak    Jean Dahm
Frank Davis    Jessica Davy    Jim Donovan    Dennis Finn    Becca Gorman
Mark Gowgiel    Diane Goyette    Rion Goyette    Gen Hadamik    Hope Hathaway
Robert Hayes    Erinn Henes    Bobby Johnson    Donna Karlinski    Joseph Karlinski
Kenny Kern    Doreen Lehner    Robert Lehner    Diane Main    Virginia Mates
Eddie Mayerik    Spencer Mehr    Dolores Mendoza    Kate Moss    James Murawski
Andrea Mutton    Rob Noonan    Fr. Ernie Norbeck    Ken Norman    Daniel Oliver
Mary Ann Papievis    Eleanor Pecka    Cynthia Petro    Char Ryan    Tom Salansky
Eliza Skipworth    Yoshi Snider    Joey Stefka    Joan Tagglonia    Sharon Tallerico
Hugh Toner    Mark Trout    Laine Van Houton    Audrey Waechtler    Loretta Wies
Ashley Woltman    Steve Wolfram    Ken VanderPloeg    Louise Clemens    Joyce Truby
Vinney Miroglia    Kenneth Twardzik    Frank Colonna    Silas Bronk    Thomas Mendoza
Eloise Schleck    Isabella Tolsma    Don Nietzel    Kathleen Stress    Candy Kornack
Joan Temborius    Bobbie Olp    Teresa Druzgala-Heaver

In Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to the family of
Fr. John Ducaji

Pray for our Military

Let us pray for all of our military personnel, especially the men and women of our parish who are serving in harm’s way:

Jason Weeks    Kevin Braasch    Michael Martel    Natalya Brechlin
John Svoboda    Christopher Fountain    Nathan Kijowski    Bob Lang
Zachary Frana    Timothy Randazzo    Christopher Randazzo    Kyle Ng

St. Mary of Gostyn Ministry to the Homebound

Do you have a homebound family member, friend, or neighbor who would like to receive the Eucharist on Sunday mornings?
If so, please have them contact Deacon Bob at the Parish Center at 630/960-1063, ext 244.
A Minister to the Homebound will be happy to visit them.
First Friday visits are also offered.

Nursing Home / Hospital Visitation

Notify the Rectory, (630) 969-1063, if you or a family member want a pastoral visit while in a healthcare facility. Without such notification, the rectory has no method of knowing who wants visitation.
(Please also see the tables at every church entrance for consent forms for healthcare facilities to notify the rectory of request for visitation).
During Advent in Religious Education all of Grades 3-8 will have an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confession. We ask parents to talk with their children beforehand and answer any questions or concerns they might have. If they forget anything, the priests are so good at helping them with anything. Parents are open to join us.

- **December 6 & 7 will be for Grades 3-5**
- **December 13 & 14 will be for Grades 6-8**

After Advent, Reconciliation will be offered for the first time on

- **January 8 & 9 is First Reconciliation**

**Religious Education Dates**

Please pay attention to the following dates on your calendar.

- **November 29 & 30:** RE and Confirmation Sessions.
- **November 30:** Adult Formation One Topic One Night will offer Fr. Shaun on the topic of What the Church teaches on Same-Sex Attraction. 7:00 pm in the Gathering Place. All adults invited, Catechist this will be a good idea for Formation Hours.
- **December 6 & 7 RE and Confirmation Sessions. Advent Reconciliation for Grades 3-5.**

**RE Giving Opportunities**

We are asking our RE Families and anyone interested to join in some opportunities to give,

- We are joining in the annual Toy Drive with the school families. The drive will take place on December 6 & 7. Please bring toys to RE. There is no need for infant and toddler toys but a real need for toys for children age 7 and over, as well as winter apparel. All the toys will be distributed to Sharing Connections.
- We will be doing a non-perishable food drive in January or February.
Wisdom

Gather, grow and gain wisdom with a vision towards happiness and well-being.
All Women welcome!
Thursday Mornings 9:00
Beginning January 11
In the Gathering Place

Questions or to pre-register:
Kelly at kjohnson@stmarygostyn.org or www.stmarygostyn.org
Faith Formation - Café Women Study tab

ONE topic night

The ONE topic ONE night Speaker Series aims to provide our parish a platform to foster dialogue, cultivate enriching ideas, and continue an appreciation of learning as an active and lifelong process.

One topic. One night. One faith.

November 30th at 7:00pm
Speaker: Father Shaun
Topic: What the Church teaches on Same-Sex Attraction

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Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, and Altar Servers, please consult your online personal schedule and email reminders for assignments.

Traveling Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

- Our Lady calls you by name.
- Bring Her into your home for one week.
- Pray the Rosary together every day or evening.
- Invite family, neighbors, or friends.
- Receive Her into your home and witness the many blessings and graces that She brings.

We will bring Our Lady to your home from Saturday to Saturday and provide the Rosary materials. Please call Diana @ (630) 971-1026 and reserve your week with Our Lady.

Grow Your Faith. Walk in Christ.

Learning is a life-long and active process.

These titles and more available in the parking lot and Narthex entrance displays. CDs to go, or log onto FORMED.org, use parish code 8PQ4J3 for free e-books, movies, speakers -- lots of Catholic content -- available on any computer or mobile device. Try it today!

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“SINGLE THROUGH LOSS” GATHERING
FOR MEN AND WOMEN ON DECEMBER 9, 2017

After the loss of a spouse through death or divorce, even those well on their way to an adjusted lifestyle can find the holiday season challenging. Please join us on Saturday, December 9 for a festive Christmas tea and a presentation by Sr. Joanne Vallero, CSJ, pastoral associate at St. Dennis Parish in Lockport, entitled “Holy Season, Sacred Journey”. The program begins 1 pm (check-in starts at 12:30 pm) and concludes with a Vigil Mass at 4 pm.

This event will take place at the Blanchette Catholic Center in Crest Hill. The $15 fee can be paid at the door with cash or a check payable to Diocese of Joliet . To register, call 815-838-5334, email familyministry@dioceseofjoliet.org or register online at http://conta.cc/2hkJLiU . Reservations are required by December 1.

ADVENT REFLECTION WITH SISTER MARY BRATRSOVSKY
THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE LINEAGE OF JESUS
Saturday, December 9 (9 - 11 a.m.) or Tuesday, December 12 (7 - 9 p.m.)

What role do the ancestors of Jesus play in the unfolding of the mystery of Jesus and His teaching?

Sacred Heart Monastery, 1910 Maple Ave, Lisle, IL

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT& COAT COLLECTION
Christ the Servant Parking Lot, 8700 Havens Dr, Woodridge
Saturday, December 2, 2017
8:30 am to 11:30 am

Collection sponsored by eWorks ESI and Christ the Servant Green Team is open to all residents and small businesses. Donation fee applies to all televisions and monitors. Gently used coats will be collected for those in need and donated to the West Suburban Community Pantry. Proceeds benefit the developmentally disabled and West Suburban Community Pantry.

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**This Week**

**Monday / 27**
- 3:00 PM Basketball  Gym
- 6:30 PM Rosary  Church
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts  Gathering Place
- 7:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal  Church

**Tuesday / 28**
- 9:30 AM Tiny Toes Music  Underground
- 2:30 PM Junior Troop #50597  Gath. Pl. A
- 3:00 PM Basketball  Gym
- 6:30 PM Legion of Mary  Small Conf. Rm.
- 6:30 PM Prayer Group  Chapel
- 7:00 PM Worship & Spiritual Life Comm.  Large Conf. Rm.
- 7:30 PM Evening Bible Study  Underground

**Wednesday / 29**
- 3:00 PM Basketball  Gym
- 4:30 PM Religious Education  School/Chapel
- 6:30 PM 6PM Choir Rehearsal  Church
- 6:30 PM Religious Education  Sch/Ch/Gath. Pl
- 7:30 PM Reverence for Life  Chapel

**Thursday / 30**
- 1:15 PM Small Christian Communities  Living Room
- 3:00 PM Basketball  Gym
- 4:30 PM Religious Education  Sch/Ch/Chapel/GP
- 5:45 PM Children’s Choir Rehearsal  Church
- 6:30 PM RE Catechist Meeting  Gathering Place
- 7:00 PM 10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal  Church
- 7:00 PM Adult Faith Formation  Gathering Place

**Friday / 1**
- 7:00 AM School  Gathering Place
- 3:00 PM Basketball  Gym
- 5:00 PM PADS  Gathering Place

**Saturday / 2**
- 12:00 AM PADS  Gathering Place
- 8:00 AM Basketball  Gym
- 9:00 AM St. Vincent de Paul Society  Large Conf. Rm.

**Sunday / 3**
- 7:00 AM CRHP #24 - Men  Chapel
- 8:00 AM Liturgy of the Word  Gath. Pl. B & C
- 8:00 AM RCIA  Underground
- 10:00 AM RCIC  Underground
- 1:00 PM Basketball  Gym
- 4:30 PM 6:00 Choir Rehearsal  Church
- 8:00 PM Men’s Basketball  Gym

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“I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink.”
— Matthew 25:35
NEW PARISHIONERS: We are happy to welcome new members to our community, and encourage you to register either in person at the Rectory, or register online through our website, www.stmarygostyn.org.

BAPTISMS: St. Mary of Gostyn offers baptismal preparation sessions on a monthly basis. If this is your first child or it has been more than five years since you attended a baptismal preparation session at St. Mary’s or another parish, you will need to participate in a session before you can receive a date for your baby’s baptism. Parents are the first and primary educators in the practice of the Faith. Godparents play an important role in the faith life of your child. While considering godparents for your child, be aware that at least one must be a baptized and confirmed Catholic who is active in his/her faith. Please call the parish office at 630-969-1063 to register for a preparation class and to schedule a baptismal date.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of welcoming and preparing adults for the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation - for full membership in the Catholic Church. Unbaptized adults, adults baptized in another Christian faith, and baptized Catholics with little or no formal religious education are invited to participate. Please call the rectory for further information.

ANNULMENTS: We are available to help anyone who is in need of information about how to apply for an annulment. Please contact the rectory at (630)969-1063.

LITURGY of HOURS: Morning Prayer (Lauds) is prayed Monday through Saturday following the morning liturgies.

SACRAMENT of ANOINTING: The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available at regularly scheduled liturgies throughout the year, or by appointment. You may ask the presiding priest before any Mass for an anointing. Communal Anointing Masses are held on the 1st Saturday of the month in August, December and April at the 8:00 AM Mass. The Eucharist will also be brought to those who are ill, upon request. Please notify the Rectory if members of your family are in the hospital or homebound.

FUNERALS: Arrangements are usually made by the Funeral Home or by a family member. A member of our Bereavement team will meet with you to plan the Funeral Liturgy. Eulogies can be given at the Wake Service, Interment at the Cemetery or at the Funeral Luncheon, but not at the Mass of Christian Burial.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance to provide ample time for preparation of this sacrament.

PRAYER GROUPS: Monday evenings at 7:15 PM in the Parish Center; Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center chapel.

ROSARY DEVOTION: Monday through Saturday, 7:30 AM in the church; Rosary will begin at 6:30 PM on Monday evenings in the church.

RECONCILIATION: Confessions are heard Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30 PM in church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available by appointment. Please call the Rectory (630-969-1063) to arrange to have your confession heard by a priest.