Jesus said to the synagogue official, “Do not be afraid; just have faith.” When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, “Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep.”

- Mk 5:36bc, 38-39
Save the Date!
12th Annual St. Mary of Gostyn 5K Run

Saturday, August 25, 2018

5 K Run/Walk at 8:00 am
1 Mile Youth Race at 9:15 am
(14 & younger)

Registration will open in July at:
www.stmarygostyn.org

Invite your friends and family.

Want to help? Volunteer or Sponsor our Event.
For information, email Patty Sashin at: patricia_sashin@yahoo.com or Terri O’Dekirk at: todekirk@stmarygostyn.org
Thirteenth Sunday
In Ordinary Time

Jesus calls us to unite our sufferings and our joys with his in order to encourage others during their own trials.

Probably one of the most difficult concepts of our faith is the idea that suffering does not have to be a bad thing. Suffering as a result of sin is easy to understand, but why do bad things happen to good people? Why would a loving God allow suffering, especially among his own people?

There aren’t any easy answers to this. Saint Augustine, one of the great thinkers of our Catholic faith, wrestled with this question himself, and finally came to the conclusion that there is no answer. However, there is a solution: unite yourself with Jesus. The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "The 'mystery of lawlessness' is clarified only in the light of the 'mystery of our religion." What is that mystery? According to the Catechism, it is "The revelation of divine love in Christ manifested at the same time the extent of evil and superabundance of grace. We must therefore approach the question of the origin of evil by fixing the eyes of our faith on him who alone is its conqueror." (385).

In today’s reading, Saint Paul encourages the Corinthians to do just that: If we are afflicted, it is for your encouragement and salvation. Our hope for you is firm, for we know that you share in the sufferings, you also share in the encouragement.

How can we do this sharing, and even more, this transformation from suffering to encouragement? The Catechism reminds us that we are the Body of Christ, and thus unified despite our diversity. "All members are linked to one another, especially to those who are suffering, to the poor and persecuted" (806). Have you ever noticed how you can feel a toothache all through your head, or stub your toe and feel the shock up to your knee? Suffering travels through the body of Christ in the same way. But did you also know that you can diminish pain in one part of your body by moving something else? Hopping after you stub your toe, shaking your hand to release a cramp, even the dentist shaking your lip when numbing it – these simple actions send signals to ease pain.

So it is with the Body of Christ. You have the power, though faith, prayers and action, to diminish the suffering of others. And when you yourself suffer, remembering that you are part of the Body of Christ and uniting that pain to Christ can lead to transformation and healing.

Suffering is part of human existence, but God does not want us to suffer. Therefore, he gave us his Son, Jesus, who not only endured pain himself, but shares and transforms our suffering. We have only to trust in him.

MASS ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2018
INDEPENDENCE DAY
9:00 AM

Happy 4th of July!

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In today’s second reading, St. Paul offers the community at Corinth a spirituality of giving. He urges them to give and maintains that through their generosity, they will in turn be given in return much spiritual abundance. They will receive from those who are the beneficiaries of their own giving; a reciprocal gift that amounts to an equality of giving, made possible through the generous mediation of Christ himself. This is an excellent reading for reflecting on the spirituality of giving. This week, take time to reflect on the ways you might discover a deeper joy in Jesus Christ because of your own generosity toward others.
Hello! My name is Claire Simeo - I recently graduated from Franciscan University of Steubenville with a bachelor’s degree in Theology and Catechetics, and I am thrilled to begin as the Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry here at St. Mary of Gostyn Parish. I grew up a few towns over in Glen Ellyn, and am one of six children from a fun, loud, Catholic family. My faith and love for Jesus Christ has always been a huge part of my life, and I am excited to share it with all I meet!

In my free time you can find me singing and playing the piano, enjoying all things outdoors (think hiking/camping/kayaking), as well as sports - particularly running, sand volleyball, and frisbee, covered in dirt in my vegetable gardens, reading a good book, cooking and improvising in the kitchen, adventuring and trying new things, and spending quality time with my friends and family.

In the Fall I look forward to starting up a youth ministry program for high schoolers so that they can dig deeper into their faith, learn what it means to be a disciple of Christ, make friends and build community, and have a whole lot of FUN! I am also excited to work on launching a variety of opportunities for young adults to experience the love of Christ, be nourished by a community, and grow in relationship with the Lord. Please pray for me as I begin the Lord’s work here at St. Mary of Gostyn Parish.
TODAY’S READINGS
Psalm - I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).
Second Reading - Your abundance should supply the needs of the others (2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15).
Gospel - Your faith has saved you (Mark 5:21-43).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:
Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 10:24-29
Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7-13, 16bc-17; Mt 8:28-34
Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8
Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13
Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17
Sunday: Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123:1-4; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a
Peter’s Pence Collection

Today is the Peter’s Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

Line Up and March for Life

On Wednesday, July 4th, please join our parish families and march together proclaiming the founding of a nation that believes in the right of freedom for all.

You are being called, will you answer the call?

Join St. Mary’s, St. Joseph’s, Holy Trinity and Divine Savior and all “Citizen’s for Life” embracing America’s motto for Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness for all citizens (pre-born, children, adolescents, adults and mature adults).

Come join in the celebration of this country’s birthday!

Line up at Station #4 on the parade route (between Main & Highland in the DGN High School parking lot) by 12:30 PM. Bring your American flag and a smile!

Thank You!

LifeSource, and the patients who are ultimately beneficiaries, extend their gratitude to the 25 registered blood donors who participated in the blood drive on May 27th. Your generosity will help your neighbors in need.

Baptism

St. Mary of Gostyn Parish Family welcomed the following children to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism recently:

- Mary Louise Hinde, daughter of David & Elizabeth Hinde
- Kaitlyn Marie Hinde, daughter of David & Elizabeth Hinde
- Christian Joseph Leto, son of Jesus Flores Pacindo & Nicole Leto
- Brooke Joann Scanio, daughter of Vincent & Denise Scanio

ALTAR FLOWERS

The floral arrangement on the altar last weekend was donated by the family of GEORGE L. METZGER in remembrance of his entrance into heaven 15 years ago on June 22nd.

This week’s floral arrangement was donated in remembrance of EDWARD MATES on the 60th anniversary of his entrance into Eternal Life by Mike and Valerie Bava and family.

The Parish Offices will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th.
The following persons have requested prayers from our parish community:

Judith Abella
Gabriella Beirne
Tom Brown
Jean Dahm
Dennis Finn
Gen Hadamik
Bobby Johnson
Kenny Kern
Barbara McCammond
Andrea Mutton
Cynthia Petro
Yoshie Snider
Hugh Toner
Greg Ginex Sr.

Nicholas T. Almeida
Abby Beranek
Felicia Bubula
Frank Davis
Becca Gorman
Robert Hayes
Donna Karlinski
Spencer Mehr
Ken Norman
Baby Jackson Ruggiero
Dennis Stefka
Mark Trout
Thomas Mendoza

Lois Bach
Kathy Berg
Ann Clark
Jessica Davy
Mark Goggiel
Erinn Hennes
Joseph Karlinski
Robert Lehner
Dolores Mendoza
Daniel Oliver
Char Ryan
Joey Stefka
Audrey Waechtler
Kelly Walters

Anna Bandur
Sharon Binter
Margaret Corbett
Jim Donovan
Diane Goyette
Theresa Herman
Peter Kavanagh
Virginia Mates
Kate Moss
Mary Ann Papievis
Tom Salansky
Joan Taggioni
Ashley Woltman
Joyce Truby

Logan Bannon
Bill Brown
Helen Czulak
George Drobney
Rion Goyette
Katie Main Hwan
Verine Kavanagh
Eddie Mayerik
James Murawski
Eleanor Pecka
Eliza Skipworth
Sharon Tallerico
Fr. John Hornicak

In Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to the family of
Howard Jamie Curtis
John Kaduk, father of Pamela Below & Carol Kraft

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:

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

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).

Page 8  Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Nourish is for anyone juggling the challenges of life, health, career and caring for an aging parent, grandparent, or spouse, in town or at a distance.

Nourish provides family caregivers practical and emotional supports, shared experiences and useful tools, all with a Christ-centered view. Discover blessings in caring for another.

**July 11th**
7:00pm
Parish Center Living Room

More information:
Kelly at kjohnson@stmarygostyn.org or www.stmarygostyn.org
Faith Formation- Nourish tab.

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**Religious Education Dates**

Please pay attention to the following dates on your calendar.

- July 21 & 22: Opening Packets available with Session Assignments inside!
- July 23: Phase III RE Registration opens for all parish families.
- August 1: All Confirmation Paperwork Due.
- August 16: 6:30 pm Catechist Orientation
- August 20: 8:30 am—4:30 pm Confirmation Retreat.

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**Phase III RE Registration**

Opens on July 23, 2018
All Parish Children

Packets Available at the Parish Center
Or find them at www.stmarygostyn.org
Click on the Faith Formation Tab.

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Interested in a Ministry? Want to become more involved in parish life?
We would love to hear from you!

Contact Deacon Bob Miciunas at 630-969-1063, ext. 244 or e-mail him at deaconbob@stmarygostyn.org to find out more about volunteer and ministry opportunities here at St. Mary of Gostyn!

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**July topic:**
One is Enough!
Learning to Live One Day at a Time

God, who gave us life, nourishes us each day, providing for our every need. Fear, stress and worry happen when we lose sight of the grace and blessings in each moment and project too far forward. Our Catholic traditions allows us to focus our day on gratitude and hope. Be nourished.

www.nourishforcaregivers.com
**Parish Center Summer Office Hours**

**May 25– August 17, 2018**

**Monday thru Thursday**
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

**Fridays**
8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

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**Staff Changes**

Mary Jane Wahl, Director of Religious Education at St. Mary of Gostyn Parish for the past two years, will be leaving our parish as of July 2, 2018. We wish her well, and we’ll be moving forward with a search committee to hire a replacement.

In the meantime, Jen Liszka, Administrative Assistant to Religious Education will be overseeing the Religious Education office.

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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.

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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.