22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.” - Mk 7:15
Thank you to our Chairperson: Patty Sashin

Also thanks to our Co-chairs: Sonny Dibble, Kristen Jeschke & Megan Daniels

And those who helped the day of (sorry if we missed any names):

Camille Palasz
Anna Walsh
John Ruskusky
Kim Ruskusky
Rick Jeschke
Desiree Weber
Anne Hizon
Benjamin Hizon
Conor McCann
Carolina Manapace
Lynn Rogers
Maureen Flavin
Nancy Perrino-Nolan
Sarah Glitto
Danielle Heyer
Julie Skeen
Dylan Skeen
Eileen Logan
Jeff Logan
Nicole Colucci
Meg Neill
Annie Mendez
Laurie McAleenan
Pete Sashin
Jake Parillo
Chris Erickson
Candace Buchanan
Tony Daniels
Eileen D’Amico
Megan Rotta
Molly Erickson
Anne Doyle
Kim Enriquez
Michelle Wayman
Livia Cutler
Kristie Wyssman
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Janet Anderson
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Erin Crowe
Morgan Lally
Tyler Wayman
Jamie Bukovsky
Kaitlin Jeschke
Bennett Ruskusky
Mia Banaszak
Isabella Kurelko
Liam Flavin
Hannah Wyssman
Sam Ruddy
McKenzie Buchanan
Moira Jermak
Gabriella Okuku
Isabel Okuku
Jennifer Lucina
In today’s Gospel from Mark, Jesus instructs us in the best way we can honor Him, teaching us the meaning of true worship. Jesus reveals that the way we truly worship Him is by giving Him our hearts. We also learn in this Gospel passage what our Lord does not want — the pious lip service that the scribes and Pharisees offer.

But how can we determine if we really are giving our hearts over to the Lord and not just paying Him lip service? We must examine our lives to see if they reflect a life lived out for Him. Stewardship gives us a concrete means to examine our lives in three fundamental areas — the use of our time, our talents, and our material gifts.

A stewardship way of life invites and challenges us to make specific commitments in each of these areas on a regular basis, giving us a practical means to commit to the Lord. How well we are keeping these commitments can give us a kind of measuring stick to see if we are growing closer to Him, or perhaps need to put a little more effort into a particular area of our lives.

When we all strive to give God true worship — putting Him first with all our hearts — what beauty we will find in our homes, our parish, and our world.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for another successful Parish Picnic under the leadership of Pat O’Connor and Augie Sisco! Thank you to Knights and volunteers, Ed Belsan, Jim Almeida, Ray Rios, Richard Mason, Clifford Rebello, John Palasz, Bob Jaskula, Bob Miciumas, Gene Kent, Jim Hubney, and Dennis Burke.

Low Gluten Host Available at Mass

Celiac disease affects as many as one out of every 133 people. Those suffering from this condition cannot ingest any gluten, a protein found in wheat. Eating gluten causes intestinal damage and can lead to many secondary illnesses. Celiacs have to maintain strict gluten free diets to protect their health. A low gluten host is made with wheat starch and water. The gluten content is 0.01%. It is made, stored, and shipped in a dedicated gluten-free environment. These special hosts are indeed made according to the requirements of the Church’s Code of Canon Law (c.924). We need to remember that bread without any gluten makes the Eucharistic presence of Jesus invalid. The suppliers who produce low gluten hosts use the 0.01% gluten content to make it valid.

Low Gluten Hosts are available at all Masses. Before Mass, see the priest, deacon, or Pat Vena (Sacristy) before Mass to request that a host be consecrated for you at that Mass. At communion time, you are asked to receive Holy Communion where the priest is distributing and he will have a low gluten host for you.
In today’s second reading, St. James urges us to be “Doers of the Word, and not hearers only” (James 1:22). Being a “Doer of the Word” means being a good steward of the Gospel; meditating on the sacred scriptures and putting the teachings of Jesus Christ into action in our day-to-day lives. Whenever we are uncertain as to what decisions to make or actions to take as good stewards of the Gospel, St. James reminds us: We can never go wrong if we resist popular values that are not compatible with the Gospel and we come to the aid of those who are burdened, distressed or poor. Being a steward of the Gospel is not taking one single action. It means embracing a lifestyle as a follower of Jesus Christ. What can we do this week to be better “Doers of the Word?”
SAINT MARY OF GOSTYN

16TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2018

It is not too late to join us for the after golf festivities!
Dinner and Drinks at 6:00
Great Raffle and Auction Items
Dancing
Late night putting contest

RAFFLE AND AUCTION PRIZES
Zamboni ride at a Hawks game
Golf at Medinah, Royal Fox, Butterfield, Big Run, Willow Crest, Dunes Club, Twin Lakes and Rich Harvest
Dinner at Monteverde
Premier Hawks and Sox tickets
And much, much more

Register at www.stmarygostyn.org
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018 LABOR DAY
9:00 AM - Ignatius Sr. & Stephanie Twardzik req. Family

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2018
6:15 AM - Maynard McPhearson req. Lucy Wilczynski
8:00 AM - Joseph Kowalkowski req. Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2018
6:15 AM - Gene Alexander
8:00 AM - Rose & John Bonato req. JoAnn Rodi & Family
   Helen Duncan req. Friends at T.O.P.S. IL395

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2018
8:00 AM - Mary Splawski req. Jim Splawski

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2018
6:15 AM - Michael Fred Smitz req. Fran Belcastro
8:00 AM - Joseph Corrigan req. Carol Tapio

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2018
8:00 AM - Donald Stange req. Family
4:30 PM - Barbara Heye req. Family
   Darlene Hammer req. CRHP #5 -Women

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018
8:00 AM - Joseph Massura req. Family
10:00 AM - People of the Parish
12:00 PM - Paul Pustelnik req. Ron & Mary Buchler
6:00 PM - Frank Bava req. Deacon Bob & Donna Miciunas

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading - For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us?
   (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8).
Psalm - The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).
Second Reading - Religion that is pure is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction
   (James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).
Gospel - This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:
Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37
Medical Missions

I would like to thank all the ladies who have made lap throws so far for our homebound parishioners. I have received over 15 lap throws this summer. I received a generous donate of yarn and other craft material. Two of the three boxes of yarn have been distributed to parishioners. They really appreciate the yarn. Also, it has been brought to my attention that they would like a shawl as well. The size of a shawl is 18” x 48” or 18” x 60”.

We could use more lap throws if you can knit or crochet. Please consider making a lap throw for us. This is a great way to use up all the all your extra yarn. It needs to be approximately either 36” by 36” or 36” by 40”.

It can be any pattern. Please call Kay Papineau at 630-963-4617 or email me at pkppapineau01@gmail.com.

Also, if you would like to make bandages, please email me to set up a time.

Our first meeting will be Monday, October 1, 2018 in the Gathering Place at 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. There will be NO MEETING IN SEPTEMBER.

Thank you helping the Medical Missions to help the homebound with a lap throw and overseas missionaries with bandages.

St. Mary Book Group

Wednesday, September 12   Parish Center   9:30 AM   The All –Girl Filling Station’s Last Reunion by Fannie Flagg

A southern belle discovers a secret her mother has kept hidden which changes her life.
Everyone is welcome. For further information, call Pat Burton (630) 852 - 2168.

SMG Evening Book Discussion

Thursday, September 20   Parish Center   7:00 PM   News of the World by Paulette Jiles

A former soldier is approached to take a 10 year old girl, who was held captive by Indians, back to her Aunt and Uncle.
Everyone is welcome. For further information, call Pat Burton (630) 852 - 2168.

GOLDEN AGERS

The Golden Agers will meet on Wednesday, September 5th in the Gathering Place. Doors open at 11:00 A.M. Lunch will be served at noon and Bingo will follow.
Any donations to the Food Pantry would be appreciated. Please call (630) 960 - 2126 for additional information.

**PLEASE NOTE**
The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, September 3rd in observance of Labor Day.

HAPPY LABOR DAY

Presider Schedule for Saturday, September 8th and Sunday, September 9th

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Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, and Altar Servers, please consult your online personal schedule and email reminders for assignments.
It was a great start to our new school year

It all kicked off with our ice cream social last week, carrying over to the start our beautiful morning on our first day, coffee with our families, our Principal visiting all our students in each classroom, and to a package of goodies sent home with every student incorporating our new logo! We saw nothing but smiles all day!

All our kids had an excellent day ~ we look forward to many more throughout the school year.
The following persons have requested prayers from our parish community:

Judith Abella, Nicholas T. Almeida, Lois Bach, Anna Bandur, Logan Bannon
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, George Drobney
John Duffy, Dennis Finn, Becca Gorman, Mark Gowgiel, Diane Goyette
Rion Goyette, Gen Hadamik, Erin Henes, Theresa Herman, Katie Main Hwan
Bobby Johnson, Donna Karlinski, Joseph Karlinski, Peter Kavanagh, Verine Kavanagh
Kenny Kern, Doreen Lehner, Robert Lehner, Michelle Maloney, Eddie Mayerik
Barbara McCammond, Spencer Mehr, Dolores Mendoza, Kate Moss, James Murawski
Andrea Mutton, Ken Norman, Daniel Oliver, Mary Ann Papievis, Eleanor Pecka
Cynthia Petro, Baby Jackson Ruggiero, Char Ryan, Tom Salansky, Eliza Skipworth
Yoshie Snider, Dennis Stefka, Joey Stefka, Joan Tagglionia, Sharon Tallerico
Hugh Toner, Mark Trout, Audrey Waechtler, Kelly Walters, Ashley Wolman
Marge Knapp, Daniel Pintozzi, Richard Drobnay, Convalle Family, Jerry Papievis
Stephanie Rodriguez, Vernon Stevens, Antoinette Ambrosino, Oscar Manzano, John Rossi
Ray Young, Carol McGlinchey, Shari, Jodi & Alexis Brown, Jaclyn Golly, Jeanne Cinkus

In Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to the families of
Fr. George Kuryvial, OMI
Boguslaw Romanowski

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, Michael Martel, Natalya Brechlin, John Svoboda
Christopher Fountain, Nathan Kijowski, Bob Lang, Zachary Frana
Timothy Randazzo, Kyle Ng, Christopher Randazzo, 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 630/969-1063, 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.
(Visit also see the tables at every church entrance for consent forms for healthcare facilities to notify the rectory of request for visitation).
**A CALL FOR CATECHISTS**

Who Makes a Good Catechist?

- A person of faith who wants to share it.
- Someone willing to work with children, or middle schoolers.
- An adult age 18 and up.
- Any adult still passionate about his/her faith.
- A man or a woman.
- A person willing to follow a catechist guide with easy lesson plans.

Can you see yourself in this description? So many times we think we have to rely on the parents of the children in the program. Did you know that a vast amount of our catechists are not parents from our RE families? Many are parents, but not all.

Consider how you can participate. It’s all about sharing what you have been given by someone else. Training is available and encouraged. We’re praying for you to consider this opportunity.

*If you are interested in volunteering, call 630.969-1063, ext. 220 or email religiouseducation@stmarygostyn.org*

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**Important Dates to Remember in September**

- **September 5th** - R.E. Begins - Opening Mass at 6:30 PM for ALL Religious Education families

- **September 10th** - First Reconciliation Parent Meeting at 6:30 PM in the church for all 2nd grade parents only.

- **September 12th & 13th** - First Day of R.E. Classes

- **September 19th & 20th** - 6th Grade Bible Blessing during class

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Opening Mass for ALL Religious Education families.

**Wednesday, September 5th at 6:30 PM**
ST. MARY OF GOSTYN HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY PRESENTS

YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF!

Sunday, Sept. 9th
7-9 PM in the Underground

PIZZA, GAMES, AND MORE!

WE WILL BE MEETING EVERY SUNDAY (7-9PM)
QUESTIONS? CONTACT CLAIRE SIMEO
@ 630-969-1063 EXT. 256, OR
CSIMEO@STMARYGOSTYN.ORG

@stmarygostynym  Youth Ministry SMG  @stmarygostynym
Encountering Heaven on Earth

**Be transformed!** As Catholics we attend the Mass every Sunday - we stand or kneel at the right times - but what do we really know about it? **Come see!** Walk through the Mass and see how we encounter Christ in a most intimate and privileged way. Join us in this new Bishop Barron study on The Mass. Even if you've never participated before, you'll be glad you did!

All Women of the Parish are welcome! Thursday Mornings- 9:00am. Beginning Sept 6th. In the Gathering Place. More info & to pre-register: Kelly at kjohnson@stmarygostyn.org or www.stmarygostyn.org Faith Formation-tab.

**Alpha at St. Mary of Gostyn**
Beginning Sept 18th
Be a part of it.

www.stmarygostyn.org/alpha/

**Nourish**
For Caregivers

Be nourished.

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.

**Wednesday**
**Sept 12th**
7:00 pm
Parish Center

**Topic:**
Staying Engaged
Keeping Them Engaged
All are Welcome

www.stmarygostyn.org  Faith Formation-Nourish tab

Everyone should have a chance to explore the faith, ask questions and share their point of view.

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A Thank You message from Deacon Steve

Last weekend was an overwhelming experience of joy and gratitude as I was ordained a Permanent Deacon at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet by Bishop R. Daniel Conlon. I feel privileged to be serving here at St. Mary’s, and I am grateful for all that this parish family has done to nurture and support me on this journey.

Thank you to all for your prayers and words of encouragement these past five years. I am especially grateful to Fr. Jim, Fr. Shaun, Deacon Al and Deacon Bob, for their guidance and wisdom while I was in formation. I know they will continue to guide me as I begin my diaconate service.

Thank you, too, to all who helped make last Sunday’s Mass so special for me and my family. I am most grateful to Steve Bisaillon and Dawn Brechtel, and all the music ministers who came back early from their summer break and worked hard to provide beautiful music for the liturgy. Thank you also to Deacon Al and Carol Agurkis, and Deacon Bob and Donna Miciunas for hosting the reception following Mass, and to LeAnne Brown and June Burke for all their help with the reception as well.

The staff at St. Mary’s has also shown great support, as have so many of our parishioners. Please know of my deep gratitude to all of you. You will continue to be in my prayers; please keep me in your prayers as I begin this new journey!

In Christ’s Peace,

Deacon Steve

Adult Faith (cont’d)

Around the Community

Alpha at Saint Mary of Gostyn
Be a part of it.

Are you good at making others feel comfortable and welcome? Able to share a smile? Are you a good listener? Do you enjoy cooking for others?

We’re looking for volunteers to join our CORE TEAM to run Alpha at Saint Mary’s.

See what it’s about... www.stmarygostyn.org/alpha/

Then contact kjohnson@stmarygostyn.org or csimeo@stmarygostyn.org for more info.

Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital

Volunteers Needed
Catholic Communion Ministry
Good Samaritan Hospital – Downers Grove
Contact: Gail Miskowicz-Retz
Gail.Miskowicz-Retz@advocatehealth.com
Or 630-852-5347

LISTENING SESSION
FOR PERSONS WHO ARE DIVORCED
On September 20, 2018 from 6-8:00PM, all those who have experienced a divorce are welcomed to attend a listening session at the Blanchette Catholic Center in Crest Hill. Facilitated by Dr. Valerie Maty, the Associate Director of Family Ministry, this gathering will include prayer wherein we will strive to listen and understand how the church can continue to support and encourage each one of you. We hope that you will join us for conversation and light refreshments.

To register, please call 815-838-5334 or register Online: https://conta.cc/2AvPHiV by September 10.
This Week

**Monday / 3**
- 6:30 PM Rosary  
  Church

**Tuesday / 4**
- 3:00 PM Volleyball  
  Gym
- 6:00 PM Alpha Team Meeting  
  Gathering Place
- 6:00 PM Prayer Group  
  Chapel
- 6:30 PM Legion of Mary  
  Small Conf. Rm.

**Wednesday / 5**
- 11:00 AM Golden Agers  
  Gathering Place
- 3:00 PM Volleyball  
  Gym
- 6:30 PM R.E. Opening Mass  
  Church/GP
- 7:00 PM Evangelization Committee  
  Large Conf. Rm.

**Thursday / 6**
- 9:00 AM Women’s Bible Study  
  Gathering Place
- 1:15 PM Small Christian Communities  
  Living Room
- 3:00 PM Volleyball  
  Gym
- 5:45 PM Children’s Choir Rehearsal  
  Church
- 7:00 PM 10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal  
  Church
- 7:00 PM Baptism Prep. Class  
  Large Conf. Rm.
- 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus  
  Fac. Lunch Rm.

**Friday / 7**
- 3:00 PM Volleyball  
  Gym
- 5:00 PM PADS  
  Gathering Place

**Saturday / 8**
- 12:00 AM PADS  
  Gathering Place
- 8:30 AM CRHP #17 - Women  
  Chapel
- 9:00 AM St. Vincent de Paul Society  
  Large Conf. Rm.
- 9:00 AM Volleyball  
  Gym
- 6:00 PM Volleyball  
  Gym

**Sunday / 9**
- 1:00 PM Volleyball  
  Gym
- 1:30 PM Baptism  
  Church
- 4:30 PM 6PM Choir Rehearsal  
  Church
- 6:30 PM Volleyball  
  Gym
- 7:00 PM Youth Ministry Kick-Off  
  Underground
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 6:00 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.