4th
Sunday in Ordinary Time

When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away.

- Lk 4:28, 30
“Please prayerfully consider giving to our parish community online as it does benefit our parish in many important ways.”

IT’S SAFE. IT’S SIMPLE. IT’S CONVENIENT.

Donate today using your debit, credit card, checking, or savings account.

1 Visit https://stmarygostyn.churchgiving.com

2 Click on the collection you wish to donate to.

3 Click Recurring Donation, enter your donation amount and frequency.

Questions? Please contact the parish office at (630) 969-1063
Our thanks goes to all of you for the outpouring of support for this project. Many of you visited the School during our recent Open House and stopped to see the most current renderings for the Activity Center. Several alumni families took time to see what is entailed in this project and gave their thumbs up to the renovation.

We have now raised $1,117,500 as of 1/29 towards this project. With our Parish savings and Endowment contribution, we are getting close to the funding we need to begin the project. Besides the financial support for the project, we have received offers of services and materials for the project, all of which will help us keep this project’s costs as tight as possible. We will be looking for additional offers of these services and materials as the project proceeds. These “wish lists” will be published as we get farther along in the project.

Lastly, we will have met with both our Buildings and Grounds and our Finance and Administration Committees by the time of this publication to share the most recent building plans and financial plans with them for the project. Our Diocese meeting, where we hope to reach the final okay for the project, is on February 5.

A CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Collection 1/27/19 $27,518.98
Weekly Goal (Fiscal Year 18/19) $29,500.00
Goals to Date
Sunday Goal to Date $914,500.00
Christmas Goal to Date $115,000.00
Total Goals to Date $1,029,500.00

Collections to Date
Sunday Collections to Date $902,870.31
Christmas Collections to Date $108,491.07
Total Collections to Date $1,011,361.38

Total (Under) Goals to Date ( $18,138.62)

Other Collections
Latin America $3,781.99

In today’s second reading we find one of the most beautiful and familiar passages in the Bible; a recitation of fifteen characteristics of Christian love typically read at weddings and anniversary celebrations. Of course, this was not what Saint Paul had in mind when he was chastising the Christian community at Corinth for its lack of love. He admonished the members of the community to exercise better stewardship of Christian love. The practice of patience, humility, joy, truth, peace, affirmation, and hope are ways good stewards put love into action. Might there be one or two of these attributes we can work on in order to grow in our love for God and others?

Activity Center renderings updated February 1, 2019

Stewardship

Thank you for your continuing support and generosity.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019
6:15 AM - Intention of the Priest
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2019
6:15 AM - Intention of the Priest
8:00 AM - Nancy Miriani req. Mike & Mary Signer
Rita Zilius req. John & Barbara Purcell

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019
6:15 AM - Intention of the Priest
8:00 AM - Barbara Alvater req. Stephanie Lear
Richard Kozik req. Wayne & Mary Ann Draudt
Anton Kucaba req. Dianne & Frank Czopek

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2019
8:00 AM - Donna L. Samora req. Alex Samora
James Schweitzer req. Kay Papineau

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2019
6:15 AM - Intention of the Priest
8:00 AM - Tom Stitt req. Mike & Mary Signer

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2019
8:00 AM - Phyllis Eichhorn req. Family
4:30 PM - Virginia Mates req. St. Mary of Gostyn Parish
Lorraine Switalla req. Chuck, Donna & Jaclyn Golly

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019
8:00 AM - People of the Parish
10:00 AM - Wayne & Mary Ann Draudt - In celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary
Blaine Molaro req. Family
12:00 PM - Freddie Sadrakula req. Family
Carol Orseske req. Family
6:00 PM - Anastasia & Edwin Guertler req. Jim & Fran Guertler

TODAY'S READINGS
First Reading - I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).
Psalm - I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).
Second Reading - If I have all faith so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing
(1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).
Gospel - No prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown (Luke 4:21-30).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:
Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11; Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; Lk 5:1-11
St. Mary Book Group
Wednesday, February 13 Parish Center 9:30 AM
The Tomb by Stephanie Lindsem
The dramatic retelling of the biblical story of Martha, sister of Lazarus.
Everyone is welcome. For further information, call Pat Burton (630) 852 - 2168.

SMG Evening Book Discussion
Thursday, February 21 Parish Center 7:00 PM
Caroline: Little House Revisited by Sarah Miller
The story of a courageous and resilient pioneer woman who settles in Kansas Indian territory.
Everyone is welcome. For further information, call Pat Burton (630) 852 - 2168.

A Warm Welcome
We welcome:
Thomas & Kathleen Bondi
Derek Kegyeda
who registered at St. Mary of Gostyn Parish recently.

Medical Missions
I would like to thank all the ladies who have made lap throws so far for our homebound parishioners. This ministry would not happen without your generosity of time and talent.

Our February meeting will be Monday, February 4, 2019 canceled. Our next meeting will be Monday, March 4, 2019 in the Gathering Place at 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. If you need yarn to make a lap throw or shawl, please call Kay Papineau at 630-963-4617 or email me at pkppapineau01@gmail.com. I will get back to you as quickly as possible.

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

Thank you for your generous support last week of the Collection for the Church in Latin America. As a parish, we collected $[amount], which will be used to share the faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean so they in turn can share it with others. If you missed the collection, it’s not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click “How to Give” on the left. Your gift makes a difference!

Presider Schedule for Saturday, February 9th and Sunday, February 10th

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Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, and Altar Servers, please consult your online personal schedule and email reminders for assignments.
SMG Cheerleaders shared their Spirit at PADS

The girls helped with the PADS set up and table decorations. The guests LOVED the decorations - it created such a welcoming atmosphere. Several guests made comments about them and, they really felt a sense of gratitude and appreciation - it was great! Thank you girls for your warmth and hospitality!
The following persons have requested prayers from our parish community:

Mark Gowgiel            Rob Hudson            Irene Karlinski          Jaclyn Golly
Frank Stefka            Connie McKee-Pinn    Hugh Toner              Spencer Mehr
Ethel Zindrick          Theresa Hurley        Julie Riley

In Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to the family of
Helen Capuano, mother of Jeanne Kelly

To request to have your name, or with permission, the name of another, on the bulletin prayer list, please contact the Parish office. Names will be listed for four weeks and then removed automatically. You will need to call for an additional four weeks.

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
Christopher Fountain     Nathan Kijowski
Timothy Randazzo         Kyle Ng
Natalya Brechlin          Bob Lang
John Svoboda              Zachary Frana
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.

Grief Support Team

....“And Jesus wept” John 11:35

Jesus’ friend Lazarus died, and because of his grief, Jesus wept.

If you have lost a loved one and you are experiencing the pain of loss and grief, please join the Grief Support Team at St. Mary of Gostyn to share with us and others who have experienced the grief and pain you are now feeling.

Grief Support Group starts meeting on Tuesday, February 19th, from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Parish Center Living Room. We will be meeting every Tuesday starting February 19th for six weeks.

Call Moira Barker at the Parish Center (630) 969–1063 to register. If you have questions, you will be referred to the appropriate person to contact for further assistance.
Alpha is an unqualified triumph.
– The Daily Telegraph, London

explore
life faith meaning

Alpha starts with a meal - a free dinner - then a presentation, followed by great discussion.

Alpha is for anyone who’s curious.

Over the course of the ten-weeks, the talks encourage conversation and explore the basic questions of life and faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. No question is out of bounds: discuss as much or as little as you wish.

Know someone struggling with the purpose and meaning of life? Alpha is a way to invite others to explore our faith.

Alpha at St. Mary’s Beginning Feb. 5th

Try Alpha. Invite a friend.

Registration online at www.stmarygostyn.org/alpha/

One topic. One night.

The ONE topic ONE night Speaker Series aims to provide our parish community 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.

Date: Thurs, Feb. 7th at 7:00pm
Speaker: Father Shaun
Topic: Purgatory, Limbo and After Life; what’s it all about?

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.

Be nourished.

www.stmarygostyn.org Faith Formation-Nourish tab
Registration NOW OPEN!!

What? Join over 2,000 teens from around the country for a weekend you’ll never forget — packed with fun, inspiring speakers, prayer, and more!!

When? June 14-16 this Summer

Where? Franciscan University in Steubenville, OH

How Much? $295 - covers bus transportation, food, housing, and conference fee. (Financial Aid is available — cost is not an obstacle to going!!)

How? Reserve your spot today by filing out an application form (available on the parish website), and making a $45 deposit.

Questions? Contact Claire: csimeo@stmarygostyn.org

Thanks for joining us for the Wacky Winter Olympics Last Week!!

Celebrating team victories

Getting messy with whipped cream!

Saran wrap challenge

How fast can you eat a cup of jello?
Religious Education Dates

Please pay attention to the following dates on your calendar.

- Feb 9/10  RE class & Confirmation Interviews
- Feb 11  8th grade Christian Living Journals due
- Feb 13/14  RE class
- Feb 19  First Communion Enrollment Mass at 6:30
- Feb 20/21  RE class - No Confirmation classes
- Feb 21  Confirmation practice at 6:30pm in church
- Feb 23  Confirmation 11am

Confirmation Reminders

Feb 6th & 7th - Confirmation Interviews during class time.

Feb 11th - Christian Living Journals due

Feb 21st - Confirmation practice 6:30pm - Confirmation candidate & Sponsor attend

Feb 23rd - Confirmation 11am

March 13th & 14th - RE Confirmation class hosts Seder Meal for RE 5th -7th grade

First Communion Reminders

Feb 19th - First Communion Enrollment Mass 6:30pm - parent & child attend

April 6th - First Communion Retreat 10am to 12pm - parent & child attend

April 29th - First Communion practice 6:30pm - SMG students & Thursday 4:30 RE students

April 30th - First Communion practice 6:30pm - Wed 4:30 RE students & Wed 6:30 RE students

May 4th - First Communion 10am Mass - SMG students & Thursday 4:30 RE students

1pm Mass - Wed 4:30 RE students & Wednesday 6:30 RE students
Adult Faith Formation (cont’d)

Nourish

Nourish is for anyone juggling the challenges of life, health, career and caring for a loved one, either in town or from afar. Nourish provides family caregivers the practical, emotional and spiritual support to find strength, joy, and holiness in your journey.

Next Nourish Meeting: Feb 13th
7:00 pm Parish Center Living Room
www.stmarygostyn.org Faith Formation-Adult-Nourish tab
All are welcome!

Looking for an in-depth study of our Catholic faith?
Fr John Hardon’s
Basic Catechism Course
Mondays 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Begins Monday, Jan 28th

This 17-week study is a clear exposition of the four pillars of the faith, as outlined in the Catechism.
Here’s what some recent participants have to say about this Catechism Course:
“...a rich source of information to help me understand my faith on a much deeper level”
“...even though it was a challenge, I learned something each week”
“This class helped me dive deeper into my faith, and learn why we do what we do”
“I now appreciate even more the beauty and richness of our faith”

There is no fee for this course but registration is required via the website or kjohnson@stmarygostyn.org.

Around the Community

MID-LIFE SINGLES (MID-30S TO 50S)
Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Joseph & Mary Retreat House (formerly Cardinal Stritch Retreat House) in Mundelein, IL (northern suburbs) on Feb 22-24, 2019. Take a chance and get involved...you won’t regret it! Cost is $215 for meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com, or call (630) 222-8303 for details.

NEW BEGINNINGS SUPPORT GROUP
New Beginnings is a weekly self-help support group for widowed, divorced, or those going through a divorce as we adjust to our new roles as singles again. Come join us February 19 when we will hear the inspiring story of Julie Papievis and her near death experience from a car accident and recovery from the resulting devastating brain stem injury. Julie has appeared on CNN, WGN, The 700 Club, and Lifetime’s “Beyond Chance.” Her motivating story of being transported to heaven’s doorstep will show us an inspirational and practical approach to dealing with sudden changes in life.
Join us any time every Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. (arrive at 7:15 p.m.) at St. Raphael’s Church, 1215 Modaff Road, Naperville. Besides having speakers, we have a rotating schedule of discussions. See more details and any schedule changes, especially any last minute speaker changes, at http://www.newbeginnings-naperville.com and view videos for divorced or widowed experiences.

Mundelein Seminary Hosts the 26th Annual Celebration of Mundelein
Honoring Bishop R. Daniel Conlon and Ron and Diane Ziemb

On Thursday, February 28, the University of Saint Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary will welcome guests for the 26th Annual Celebration of Mundelein at the Sheraton Grand Chicago. This major fundraising event supports the formation of Diocese of Joliet seminarians, among others, as they prepare to be future area priests. For exemplary service to the Church, Bishop Conlon will receive the “As Those Who Serve” award and the Ron and Diane Ziemb of Crest Hill will receive the “Christo Gloria” award. The Reception begins at 5:30 p.m. with the Dinner Program beginning at 6:30 p.m. The event will be hosted by Allison Rosati of NBC 5 with music from Mundelein Seminary ensembles and members of the City Lights Orchestra. Whether you are able to attend the event or not, information on ways to support the campaign with ticket purchases, sponsorships, program ads, and donations can be found at www.usml.edu/celebration or contact 847-970-4910, events@usml.edu.

FR. ROLHEISER IS RETURNING TO MAYSINK MINISTRIES
DATE: Saturday, November 2, 2019
LOCATION: Marriott Naperville Hotel COST: $65/person
Registration opens MARCH 1ST. This event will sell out, so please save the date now.

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This Week

Monday / 4
8:45 AM  Medical Missions  Gathering Pl.A
2:30 PM  Brownie Troop #55326  Gathering Pl. A
3:30 PM  Basketball  Gym
6:30 PM  Boy Scouts  Gathering Place
6:30 PM  Rosary  Church
7:00 PM  Catechism Class  Chapel
7:00 PM  CRHP #24 - Men  Large Conf. Rm.

Tuesday / 5
8:00 AM  School: Vision & Hearing Underground
3:30 PM  Basketball  Gym
6:00 PM  ALPHA  Gathering Place
6:00 PM  Prayer Group  Chapel
6:00 PM  Legion of Mary  Small Conf. Rm
7:30 PM  Athletics Bd. Meeting  L.R.C.

Wednesday / 6
2:30 PM  Daisy Troop #55771  Gathering Pl. A
3:30 PM  Basketball  Gym
4:30 PM  Religious Education  School/Church
6:30 PM  6 PM Choir Rehearsal  Church
6:30 PM  Conf. Interviews  GP/PC/UG
6:30 PM  Religious Education  School/Church
7:00 PM  Evangelization Committee  Large Conf. Rm.

Thursday / 7
9:00 AM  Women’s Bible Study  Gath. Pl./UG
1:15 PM  Small Christian Communities  Living Room
3:30 PM  Basketball  Gym
4:30 PM  Religious Education  School
4:30 PM  Confirmation Interviews  GP/PC/UG
5:45 PM  Children’s Choir Rehearsal  Gathering Place
7:00 PM  10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal  Church
7:00 PM  Baptism Prep Class  Large Conf. Rm.
7:00 PM  CRHP #34 - Women  Chapel
7:00 PM  Knights of Columbus  Fac. Lunch Rm.
7:00 PM  One Topic One Night  Gathering Place
7:00 PM  Youth Ministry ALPHA  Underground

Friday / 8
5:00 PM  Basketball  Gym
6:30 PM  PADS  Gathering Place

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

Sunday / 10
8:00 AM  Liturgy of the Word  Gath. Pl, B & C
8:00 AM  RCIA  Large Conf. Rm.
10:00 AM  Liturgy of the Word  Gath. Pl. B & C
12:30 PM  Basketball  Gym
1:30 PM  Baptism  Church
4:30 PM  6PM Choir Rehearsal  Church
7:00 PM  Youth Ministry  Underground
8:00 PM  Men’s Basketball  Gym
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, you will need to participate in a baptismal preparation 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.