

ST. MARYS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS: **Mon. – Closed - Call the Rectory for sacramental emergencies**
Please only use for sacramental emergencies (illness or death). Thanks 276-228-1019
Tues., Wed., Thurs. 9 am – 5 pm Fri. 9 am – 3 pm

MASS SCHEDULE: **Fridays 12:00 pm unless otherwise posted differently; Confessions immediately following or by appointment.**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.

St. Edwards: Sunday 11:00 am

St. Marys Weekly Calendar

Saturday, September 23 5:00 pm Liturgy Presider-Fr. Louis Benoit

Liturgy Intention-Nick Matchick

Sunday, September 24 9:00 am Liturgy Presider-Fr. Louis Benoit

Monday, September 25

Office Closed

Friday, September 29

No Noon Liturgy

Saturday, September 30 5:00 pm Liturgy Presider-Fr. Louis Benoit

Liturgy Intention-Tim Cummings

Sunday, October 1

9:00 am Liturgy Presider-Fr. Louis Benoit

Liturgy Intentions for Sun., Sept. 17th are in loving memory of Nick Matchick given by Millie Matchick.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

September 23-24

Sept. 30 – Oct. 1

October 14-15 "Special Collection"

October 21-22

Retired Religious

St. Marys Capital Improvement

Catholic Schools of the Diocese

World Missions

RETIRED RELIGIOUS COLLECTION: Support a lifetime of service. Women and men religious have spent their lives serving others in prayer, ministry, education, and care for those in need – usually for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. As they age, they require essential care and medications. Please support them by giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your donation makes a difference for nearly 25,000 senior men and women religious. **Please give generously.**

Thank you to Barnett and Grubb Funeral Homes for their continued support of our bulletins!!

Barnett Funeral Home

Tom & Judy Reese
325 S. Church Street/PO Box 558
Wytheville, VA 228-3121

Grubb Funeral Home

6th & Spring Street
Wytheville, VA 228-3101
Helping families in time of need

RCIA 2023-24: If anyone may be interested in joining the Catholic Church, RCIA classes will begin on **Sat., Sept. 30th at 4:00 pm in the Pastoral Center.** Please plan to attend. If you should have any questions, please contact Kay Early at 276-699-1333.

FATHER BOAT'S TRIP HOME: Father Louis Benoit will be presiding over the Masses for the month of September during his absence. **Friday noon Masses will resume on Oct. 20th.** Please contact the office or leave a message after hours for emergencies, and your call will be returned as soon as possible. Mass Intentions are still welcome during his absence, cash would be preferred. Thank you.

JANITORIAL ISSUE: The janitorial issue has been resolved for the **church.** We are asking parishioners to please clean the Pastoral Center after each event/meeting. The cleaners will also be checking on it periodically. There have been a couple of small adjustments made to the cleaning instructions hanging in the kitchen, if you could please look them over, it would be appreciated. Also, please follow the temperature instructions on the wall at the thermostat to try to help with the electric bill. Your help is truly appreciated.

PARISH GATHERING: The next parish gathering is scheduled for **Saturday, October 7th immediately following the 5:00 pm Mass.** Please bring your favorite dish to share. Everyone is welcome.

Sacrificial Offering

September 16-17, 2023

Operating Funds **\$1,950.00**

Retired Religious **\$80.00**

Mission Cooperative **\$25.00**

Please see the current financial information posted on the bulletin boards.

HOPE PACK PROGRAM: We continue to accept donations for the Hope Pack Program in memory of Deacon Charles May. The baskets and envelopes are in the gathering space and at the Monroe Street entrance. **Please make all checks payable to Hope, Inc and designate in the memo for Hope Packs in memory of Deacon Charles May. Plastic shopping bags continue to be accepted. Please keep in mind that they pack the food every Wednesday evening at 5 pm. Feel free to join anytime.** Thank you for your continued support.

THE AGAPE FOOD PANTRY: Requested for the **third quarter of 2023 is cereal, rice, and vegetables.** Please be sure that all donated foods **ARE NOT EXPIRED, the pantry does not accept expired food, it will be thrown away.** Thank you for your continued support.

DOG/CAT FOOD AND CAT LITTER DONATIONS: URGENT REQUEST: Brother John is continually accepting cat and dog food donations. Please leave them at the Monroe Street entrance. He is grateful for your continued support. **Please pass the word.**

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER: Along with the needed items on the list on the wall above the bin, packaged plastic silverware is also needed. They can use this along with all other paper products when they must house a family in a motel. **Please leave your donations in the designated container in the gathering space.** Thanks.

Please continue your prayers for our sick and homebound: Brother John, Jeri Clarkson, Helen Conrad, JoAnn Detta, Gene Deshler, Charlotte Driggers, Yvonne Grothues, Greg Hash, Cathy Miller, Suzanne Molloy, Bill Mutschler, Sister Mary Ellen, Dennis O'Donnell, Fran Parks, Raymond Raffainner, Evelyn Smith Reese, Carl Sealander, Michele Sealander, Judith Sweeten, Larry Wise, Joan Word. **If there is anyone that you would like to add to or can be removed from the list, please email, or call the office. Thank you!**