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, October 7	5:00 pm Liturgy Intention-John Young, Jr.		
	6:00 pm Parish Gathering		
Sunday, October 8	9:00 am Liturgy Intention-Chris Clark		
Monday, October 9	Office Closed		
Tuesday, October 10	Office Reopens at noon.		
Friday, October 13	No Noon Liturgy		
Saturday, October 14	5:00 pm Liturgy Intention-Warne Stark		
Sunday, October 15	9:00 am Liturgy Intention-Father Joe Lehman		

Liturgy Intentions for Sat., Oct. 7th are in loving memory of John Young, Jr. given by Norah Young.

Liturgy Intentions for Sun., Oct. 8th are in loving memory of Chris Clark given by Cathy Griffin. Altar flowers are given in loving memory of John Young, Jr. by Norah Young.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

October 14-15 "Special Collection"	Catholic Schools of the Diocese
October 21-22	World Missions

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

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

WELCOME BACK FATHER BOAT! The parish has missed you!!!

FRIDAY NOON MASSES will resume on Oct. 20th.

<u>PARISH GATHERING</u>: The next parish gathering is scheduled for **THIS** Saturday, October 7th immediately following the 5:00 pm Mass. Everyone is welcome.

FROM THE OFFICE: The office will reopen at noon on Tues., Oct. 10th.

<u>RCIA 2023-24:</u> If anyone may be interested in joining the Catholic Church, classes have begun. Please plan to attend on Saturdays at 4 pm in the Pastoral Center. For questions, please contact Kay Early at 276-699-1333.

<u>UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION:</u> On Oct. 14-15, Bishop Knestout invites your participation in the *Learn to Lead* Capital Campaign that will strengthen the ministry of our Catholic schools. Our schools shape the lives of more than 7,000 young people – helping them realize their greater purpose – succeeding and serving God, their families, churches, and communities. If you have been blessed by a Catholic education or believe in the importance of its mission, please give generously. There are students of our parish that attend St. John Neumann Academy in Blacksburg, and a parishioner that is a teacher. You will be able to direct your donation to this school in the donation envelope that will be in the pews next weekend during the collection, if you choose to do so. To learn more about this campaign or *make a secure online gift now,* please visit www.learntoleadcompaign.org. At the time of the collection, all checks will be made payable to "Learn to Lead Campaign", not the parish. Thank you.

<u>UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS</u>: The Finance Council will hold their next meeting on *Tues., Oct. 17th at 5:30 pm in the classroom in the church.* The Pastoral Council will hold their next meeting on *Wed., Oct. 18th at 5:30 pm in the Pastoral Center.* All members please plan to attend as there are several items that need to be addressed/finalized. Thank you.

<u>Sacríficial Offering</u>		
September 30-October 1, 2023	Operating Funds	<u>\$1700.87</u>
-	Retired Religious	\$125.00
	Mission Cooperative	\$212.00
	Capital Improvement	711.51

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.

<u>THE AGAPE FOOD PANTRY:</u> Requested for the <u>third quarter</u> of 2023 is cereal, rice, and vegetables. Please be sure that all donated foods <u>ARE NOT EXPIRED</u>, the pantry does not accept expired food, it will <u>be thrown away</u>. 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.