

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

<u>Saturday, February 3</u>	5:00 pm Liturgy 6:00 pm Parish Gathering/Pastoral Center
<u>Sunday, February 4</u>	9:00 am Liturgy
<u>Monday, February 5</u>	OFFICE CLOSED
<u>Friday, February 9</u>	12:00 pm Liturgy
<u>Saturday, February 10</u>	5:00 pm Liturgy
<u>Sunday, February 11</u>	9:00 am Liturgy

SECOND COLLECTIONS

February 3-4	St. Marys Capital Improvement
March 2-3	St. Marys Capital Improvement
March 9-10	Catholic Relief Services

Please continue your prayers for our sick and homebound: Charlie Dix, Yungho Park, Keesha Arnold, James Bierter, Kevin Bierter, Brother John, Helen Conrad, Jason Conrad, JoAnn Detta, Gene Deshler, Charlotte Driggers, Angelo Faraci, George Fuderer, Yvonne Grothues, Suzanne Molloy, Bill Mutschler, Sister Mary Ellen, Lori O'Connor, Elizabeth Paradise, Fran Parks, Evelyn Smith Reese, Rich Sandidge, Pete Sawyer, Michele Sealander, Judith Sweeten, Ricky Walker, Hayes Wheeler, 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!

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.

Thank you to Grubb Funeral Home for their continued support of our bulletins!!

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

PARISH GATHERING: The next parish gathering will be dinner following the 5:00 pm Liturgy ***THIS Saturday, February 3rd in the Pastoral Center.*** Everyone is welcome to attend.

“SOUPER BOWL OF CARING SUNDAY”: The parish will once again be participating in the “Souper Bowl Sunday” food drive for the Agape Food Pantry. Soup donations will be picked up after the 9 am Mass on ***Sunday, February 11th.*** There are boxes for your donations located at the Monroe Street entrance and in the gathering space. Monetary donations may be mailed to 405 West Main Street, Wytheville, VA 24382, please note that they be counted toward “Souper Bowl”. Thank you for your continued support.

OLD PALMS: Ash Wednesday is February 14th. You may begin bringing your old palms to burn for ashes. There is a basket in the gathering space and the deadline is Sunday, February 11th.

LENT 2024: Ash Wednesday, February 14th; distribution of Ashes is scheduled for St. Marys at 6:00 pm and St. Edwards at 4:00 pm. Noon Mass will be held each Friday with confession available following Mass, also, before each weekend Mass and by appointment. ***Stations of the Cross*** will be held each Friday at 5:00 pm beginning February 16 – March 22.

VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED: Please remember that the parish is always looking for volunteers to be ushers, lectors, choir members and where you may see a need. We are a small parish and there is always a need for help.

2024 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: The Appeal is now underway. The parish target for this year is \$7,040.00. Please prayerfully consider donating to the appeal as the parish receives 50% of all donations back in tax free funds. When you support the Appeal, you will help to build up the Church and answer the Call to *Share His Love with Others* and help transform the lives of people who, like you, seek to be united in God’s love and mercy. This week and into next week, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support. The in-pew weekends for the parish are scheduled for February 17-18 and February 24-25. If you have not received a letter and want to donate on those weekends, please be sure to designate St. Marys to receive the credit. Thank you for your consideration to make a generous commitment to this effort.

Sacrificial Offering

January 27-28, 2024

Operating Funds	<u>\$4274.00</u>
Respect Life	<u>\$50.00</u>
Capital Improvement	<u>\$2450.00</u>
Catholic Virginian	<u>\$10.00</u>

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 “Open Door Community”. Plastic shopping bags continue to be accepted.*** 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.***

THE AGAPE FOOD PANTRY: Requested for the first quarter of 2024 is rice, vegetables, spaghetti sauce/noodles (no glass please). Please be sure that all donated foods **ARE NOT EXPIRED.** Thank you for your continued support.