

**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**

<b><u>Saturday, February 24</u></b>	<b>5:00 pm Liturgy</b>
<b><u>Sunday, February 25</u></b>	<b>9:00 am Liturgy</b>
<b><u>Monday, February 26</u></b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
<b><u>Wednesday, February 28</u></b>	<b>6:00 pm Soup Supper – All Are Welcome</b>
<b><u>Friday, March 1</u></b>	<b>12:00 pm Liturgy</b> <b>Confession available after Mass</b> <b><u>5:00 pm Stations of the Cross</u></b>
<b><u>Saturday, March 2</u></b>	<b>5:00 pm Liturgy</b>
<b><u>Sunday, March 3</u></b>	<b>9:00 am Liturgy</b>

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

<b>March 2-3</b>	<b>St. Marys Capital Improvement</b>
<b>March 9-10</b>	<b>Catholic Relief Services</b>

***Please continue your prayers for our sick and homebound:*** Keesha Arnold, James Biertzer, Kevin Biertzer, Brother John, Helen Conrad, Jason Conrad, Gene Deshler, Charlie Dix, Charlotte Driggers, George Fuderer, Yvonne Grothues, Suzanne Molloy, Bill Mutschler, Sister Mary Ellen, Lori O'Connor, Elizabeth Paradise, Yungho Park, Fran Parks, Evelyn Smith Reese, Judith Sweeten, Ricky Walker, 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!***

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

<p><b><i>Grubb Funeral Home</i></b> 6<sup>th</sup> &amp; Spring Street Wytheville, VA 228-3101 <i>Helping families in time of need</i></p>
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**LENT 2024:**

- **Soup Suppers** are being held at 6 pm each Wednesday through March 20<sup>th</sup>. **The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the next supper.** Everyone is welcome to attend.
- **Noon Mass** each Friday – confession is available following Mass, before weekend Masses, let Father Boat know you would like to see him, or by appointment.
- **Stations of the Cross** prayed each Friday at 5 pm through March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**REMINDER:** First Friday Rosary/Benediction will be held on March 1<sup>st</sup> followed by the Noon Mass. Confession is available following the Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**THE NEXT PARISH GATHERING** will be breakfast on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> following the 9 am Mass in the Pastoral Center. Please bring your favorite dish to pass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**VOTIVE STAND:** The new Votive Stand has been set up and is ready for use. It is located at the Monroe Street entrance. We kindly ask for a \$1 donation when a candle is lit to help with the cost of the candles; there is a donation slot available on the front of the stand. All donations to help make this possible for the parish are greatly appreciated.

**CARE MINISTRY REQUEST:** The Parish Care Ministry is requesting some “blank” cards that can be sent out to the sick and for sympathy cards. Please leave your donations on the table in the gathering space. Thank you.

**2024 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:** The Appeal is now underway. The last in-pew weekend for the parish is this weekend. 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. The parish has received back over \$5,000.00 from the 2023 Appeal. 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. Many of you have already received a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support. If you have not received a letter and want to donate this weekend, please be sure to designate St. Marys on the form to receive the credit. Thank you for your consideration to make a generous commitment to this effort.

**Sacrificial Offering**

**February 17-18, 2024**

<b>Operating Funds</b>	<b><u>\$1,462.00</u></b>
<b>Capital Improvement</b>	<b><u>\$15.00</u></b>
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	<b><u>\$535.00</u></b>

**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.***

**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.