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; <u>Confessions immediately</u> 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, March 2 5:00 pm Liturgy
Sunday, March 3 9:00 am Liturgy
Monday, March 4 OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday, March 6 6:00 pm Soup Supper – All Are Welcome

Friday, March 8 12:00 pm Liturgy

Confession available after Mass

5:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 9 5:00 pm Liturgy Sunday, March 10 9:00 am Liturgy

SECOND COLLECTIONS

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

<u>CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION:</u> Next weekend our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from the collection provide ford to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next weekend, please give generously to the collection and **reveal Christ's love** to those most in need. For more information visit <u>www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.</u>

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

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 **THE NEXT PARISH GATHERING** will be breakfast **THIS** Sunday, March 3rd following the 9 am Mass in the Pastoral Center. Everyone is welcome to attend.

<u>THE PASTORAL COUNCIL</u> will hold their next meeting on *Tuesday, March 5th at 5:30 pm in the Pastoral Center.* There will be important information to be voted on. All members please plan to attend.

LENT 2024:

- Soup Suppers are being held at 6 pm each Wednesday through March 20th. 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 22nd.

HOPE PACK PROGRAM: A gentle reminder that the Hope Packs are the Lenten alms giving project for the Lenten season. 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.

2023 MISSION COOPERATIVE PROGRAM: As a follow-up to Father Boat's visit to the Church of the Incarnation in Charlottesville last year, the National Junior Honor Society at Charlottesville Catholic Church held a bake sale at the end of January to raise money for St. Mary's. The parish received a check for **\$437.00**. They worked hard, were proud of their achievement and a thank you was sent to them.

2024 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: The Appeal is now underway. If you missed the in-pew weekends but still wish to donate using the envelopes, there are some located at the Monroe Steet entrance and in the gathering space. Please be sure to designate St. Mary's on the form. 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. Thank you for your consideration to make a generous commitment to this effort.

Sacrificial Offering

February 24-25, 2024 Operating Funds \$1,541.00 Mission Coop \$25.00

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.

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.*

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!