MARION, OHIO



PALM SUNDAY of the LORD'S PASSION March 24, 2013

MONDAY of Holy Week - March 25

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

TUESDAY of Holy Week - March 26

No evening Mass

WEDNESDAY of Holy Week - March 27

8:30 a.m. Morning Mass 1:00 p.m. Young at Heart 7:30 p.m. Parish Choir

7:30 p.m. Scripture Reflection (Small Meeting Room)

HOLY THURSDAY - March 28

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

(Please bring your *Rice Bowl offering* to help assist the poor & vulnerable in the world.) (*Adoration to follow until closing with night prayer at 11:00 p.m.*)

GOOD FRIDAY - March 29

(No Mass – Day of Prayer – Day of Fast & Abstinence)
(Annual Collection for the Holy Land)

3:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

(Living Stations by Parish School of Religion Students)

5:00-8:00 p.m. Fish Fry at Knights of

Columbus Hall

HOLY SATURDAY - March 30

(No Morning Mass)

8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

(A Parish Reception will follow Mass in Moira Hall to greet those received into the Church.)



EASTER SUNDAY - March 31



Masses: 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

~~~IN MEMORIAM~~~ LIFE IS CHANGED NOT ENDED

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord

Marguerite Neidig, Lois Nicolosi, Nancy Helwig, and Murial Osborn

Communion Hosts for this week's Masses are in loving memory of **Dortha Miller** by Lane Shoemaker.

Sacramental Wine provided by the Knights of Columbus.



PRAYER REQUEST LINE: For a prayer request or to join the Prayer Line, please call Elaine Kelly at 389-1018.

Reminder for Visitation of the Sick: Please notify the Parish Office if you or a loved one is ill or in the hospital by calling 382-2118. Please leave a message on the voice mail. Thank you.

Daily Readings/Mass Intentions:

Monday ~ March 25

Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday ~ March 26

Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday ~ March 27

Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25

8:30 a.m. Special Intention

Holy Thursday ~ March 28

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

7:00 p.m. People of St. Mary Parish

Good Friday ~ March 29

Is 52:13-53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

No Mass - Day of Prayer

Holy Saturday ~ March 30

Gn 1:1–2:2;*Ex* 14:15–15:1; *Is* 54:5-14; *Ez* 36:16-17a, 18-28;

Rom 6:3-11; Lk 24:1-12

8:00 p.m. St. Mary Parishioners

Easter Sunday ~ March 31

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. -

Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish

~SERVERS~

This Weekend: March 23/24, 2013

5:00 p.m. Alec Beickelman & Kim Fennell 8:00 a.m. Matt Schuler & Renata Schuler 11:00 a.m. Melina Celestino & Anna Celestino

(Check online at www.marionstmary.org/Schedule/Minister Schedule).



Holy Week/Easter - Please see sign-up sheets in the back of church.

Ministers Thank you!

~LECTORS~

This Weekend: March 23/24, 2013

5:00 p.m. (I) Pat Stevens

(II) Joan Shoup

8:00 a.m. (I) Dora Jean Mendoza

(II) Joe Stanko

11:00 a.m. (I) Pat Baldinger

(II) Deb Ketcham

(Check online at www.marionstmary.org/Schedule/Minister Schedule).



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Ministers Thank you!

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION - Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the Commons. You are invited to join us as we study and reflect on the current Sunday's readings and apply the message of God's Word to our everyday lives.

Healing Blanket Ministry:

Healing Blanket Ministry continues its mission to sew blankets. Would you like to join us in this ministry? We will supply the material for you to sew. We ask those who give a blanket to a loved one, to please sign the blue binder with your name and the name of the person receiving it.

We need more people to sew the blankets. Please contact Elaine Kelly at 389-1018.

NURSERY Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

Bring your children 0 to 3 years to the nursery. It is open during **11:00 a.m. Mass.** If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please <u>call Mary Ball at 751-4878</u> or e-mail <u>mmb0104@yahoo.com</u>.





The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)

Dismissal - March 24 at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday Class: March 26, 2013... NO CLASS THIS EVENING.

Candidates and sponsors will enter into a time of special prayer as they participate in the Sacred Paschal Triduum.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum is the three most solemn days of the liturgical year; Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. These most holy days celebrate the Paschal Mystery, first, the passion, suffering, and death of the Lord Jesus, followed by His resurrection, the triumph of the holy cross, and Christ's decisive victory over sin and death.

The Triduum is a single feast, the Paschal Mystery, celebrated over three days, and they are the three holiest days of the entire liturgical year.

RCIA RETREAT Holy Saturday, March 30:

9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. In the Commons

Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00 p.m.
Sacraments of Initiation will be received at the Easter Vigil Mass

Reception to follow in Moira Hall



The RCIA classes are held in the Commons on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. For further information, call Glenna at 382-2262.

Children's Liturgy of the Word... at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

CLW ~ Children's Liturgy of the Word is to help children understand the Sunday Scripture Readings on their level. CLW is for



children who are <u>at least 3 years old</u>, who parents believe are old enough to participate. <u>This service is geared toward children who are younger than 3rd grade</u>. Older children should be more interested in the readings and Homily as they are presented in the main church. For questions, comments or to volunteer please call the Office of Religious Education at 382-2262.

St. Mary School News

March 25-April 1: Spring Break – Back to School Tuesday, April 2





HOLY CARDS

Are available for the children of St. Mary when they come to Mass each weekend. The holy cards will be found in a basket located on the long table at the left of the Baptismal Font.

Holy cards teach us about saints and traditions of the Church such as the Rosary and Stations of the Cross. We

hope that the children of St. Mary will be inspired with their collecting as they pick up a new card each Sunday when they come to Mass.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Who: Preschool through 7th grade When: Sundays, April 7, 14 and 21

Please note:

NO CLASS Palm Sunday, March 24 or on Easter Sunday, March 30

Time: 9:15-10:45 a.m.

Place: St. Mary Grade School (1st Floor)



March 29, 2013 *

Good Friday Stations of the Cross

The students of St. Mary Parish School of Religion will once again present a silent representation of the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, March 29. We will meet at 6:00 p.m. in Moira Hall on Good Friday, this will be our one and only rehearsal before the stations begin at 7:00 p.m.

Call the Office of Religious Education at 382-2262, ext. 121 for further information.

<u>Introductory Catechist Certification Course</u> Glenna Celestino, Facilitator

All Classes will take place from **10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.,** in the Small Meeting Room at the Commons

April 13, 2013 Catholic Morality 1.9, 5.1, 5.2 May 18, 2013 I Believe/We Believe 1.4, 3.2

This course may be taken in whole or in part. Completing the entire course fulfills the requirements for the Introductory Certification Cycle. In addition, the participant receives credit for three methods courses and two of the four required classes to complete the Morality Cycle of Certification Classes. The classes are open to anyone interested in developing his/her understanding of basic beliefs and practices in the Catholic Church as well as those seeking certification to become a catechist in the Diocese of Columbus. To register, call Glenna Celestino at 740-382-2262, ext. 121.

HELPING <u>TURNING POINT</u> and the <u>MEN'S & WOMEN'S SHELTERS</u>:

Turning Point and both homeless shelters need a few basic items like cereal, paper products, shampoo, etc. With the help of parishioners, we hope to provide them. After the Masses during Lent, members of St. Mary Community Outreach Committee will be at the church exits with canisters to collect your change; the coins in your purse or pocket that are weighing you down (pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters). Last Lent we collected \$570.00! Remember, the slogan "Lose Weight – Donate your Change." No amount is too small. Thank you, St. Mary Community Outreach Committee



LENTEN FISH FRIES:

Fish fries at the *Knights of Columbus Hall* are on **Fridays from 5:00-8:00 p.m.** Menu will include coleslaw, French fries, dinner roll, and all-you-can-

eat fish. There will be a children's menu of cheese macaroni and fries. Cost is Adults, \$8.00; Children 5-12, \$5.00; and children under 5, free. Senior Citizens over 65: Cost is \$7.00. Proceeds help benefit the *Parish PSR program and the Boy Scouts*.

YOUNG AT HEART

The "Young at Heart" group will meet on Wednesday, March 27th at 1:00 p.m. for lunch at the Thirsty Turtle Bar & Grill, in the Servex Center, 1300 Delaware Avenue. Please call Janet Kraschinsky at 389-1908 with your reservation.



OPERATION RICE BOWL



We invite you to participate in Operation Rice Bowl, a Lenten program of Catholic We invite you to participate in Operation Relief Services. Proceeds will help the less fortunate in our diocese and around the

world. Rice Bowls are available in the back of church.

The money you save from fasting and sacrifice may be brought in.

> Holy Thursday. (Carried up during Offertory.) Every penny is like a piece of rice. It will soon fill a bowl!



A FAMILY PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF FAITH

O God our Father, in Jesus You call all Christian families and homes to be signs of living faith. By the light of the Holy Spirit, lead us to be thankful for the gift of faith, and by that gift may we grow in our Relationship with Jesus, Your Son, and be confident witnesses to Christian hope and joy to all we

meet. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For more information about the Year of Faith, Including a variety of resources for individuals and families, visit: www.usccb.org.

Provided by The Marriage and Family Life Office, Diocese of Columbus. Also available online at www.familylife.colsdioc.org.

Good Friday Collection

Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Our hearts, minds and prayers are also especially aware of the Holy Land.

Our Parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a pontifical collection requested by Pope Benedict XVI, the annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christians in the Holy Land.

Franciscans and others in the Holy Land are housing and feeding the poor, providing religious formation and education, maintaining shrines and parishes, and conducting pastoral ministry. For more information, visit www.myfranciscan.org.

The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy Father. Please be as generous as your abundance allows.



Marion's Catholic Schools' St. Mary/ Marion Catholic Auction Gala was a great Success!

Marion's Catholic Schools would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of the St. Mary Parishioners, alumni and friends, school families and businesses who generously contributed to this year's Auction Gala. Our evening was a wonderful success, grossing over \$30,000.00! All monies have been divided equally between St. Mary and Marion Catholic.

Special thanks to the Auction Committee for their strong devotion and unending faith in Marion's Catholic Schools, as well as their endless contributions of time and talent. Committee members include: Patty Comianos, Jackie Concepcion, Janine Rowe, Leslie Slemmons, Kathy Smith, Nicole Sterling and Janet Treadway.

Are you READY for Spring?



Decorate your earthly home with flowers one of God's creations - while supporting the creation made in His image at the same time. Marion Citizens for Life Flower Sale order forms due March 30.

Pick up flowers on May 11 at Marion Christian Center, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Forms available through kewaldo@hotmail.com, church exits, and church office.







Make Holy Week Memorable

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

The first three days of Holy Week are traditionally days of preparation for Easter. Let everyone help with housecleaning. This custom evolved from the Jewish ritual cleaning of the house before Passover. As you clean, talk about the days ahead in Holy Week and how Lent has been for your family this year. Was it challenging; was it fruitful?

Holy Thursday

On Holy Thursday we recall the Last Supper that Jesus shared with His disciples, and the powerful lesson He taught about service when He washed their feet. Attend Holy Thursday Mass, which recalls the Last Supper. On the way home, talk about the ritual of washing feet. What does this gesture teach us about service to one another? How might we "wash the feet" of others?

Good Friday

Good Friday is the somber remembrance of the day Jesus died on the cross. Attend Good Friday services in your parish. Suggest to your family that in addition to fasting and abstaining from meat, you abstain from television and computers, as well. If members of your family gave something up this Lent, talk about the experience of "going without." Is it something we might consider giving up beyond Lent?

Holy Saturday

Holy Saturday is traditionally the final day of preparation for Easter. The Easter Vigil that takes place on Holy Saturday night is the high point in the Church calendar. The Paschal candle that is lit at the Easter Vigil will remain in the church throughout the year as a sign of Christ's death and resurrection. Talk about the symbols we use in our church liturgies - fire, water, oil, light and darkness. What is the Church teaching us through the use of these signs and symbols?

Easter Sunday

This is a day of great rejoicing! Attend Mass together as a family and thank God for all of the good things in your family's life. During your Easter Sunday meal, talk about why it is important to be thankful for the gifts God has given us. Why do we rejoice on Easter and sing, "Alleluia?" Who is the greatest gift of all?

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Benefit Spaghetti Dinner

Sacred Hearts Church in Cardington, 4680 S.R. 42

Call Carl at 387-5814 for tickets or if you would just like to make a donation April 12th, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Adults, \$8.00; Children, \$5.00 Family Max, \$20.00 (under age 18)

Italy Pilgrimage

Father Pat Toner is hosting a dinner preview of the November 11-21 Pilgrimage to Italy for the Year of Faith. Dinner starts at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 10, at the Parish Activity Center, 670 W. Main Street, Plain City, Ohio. RSVP at 614-873-8850 or email at pathengesintjosephplaincity.com. Brochures are available upon request.

LENTEN REGULATIONS ON FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

- ~ *Abstinence* from meat is observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on **Ash Wednesday**, **Good Friday**, and *each Friday during Lent*.
- ~ Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating between meals is not permitted. Beverages are not restricted.



I give you a new commandment: love one another as I loved you

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said, "Take and eat; this is my body."

Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins."

Matthew 26:26-28



God has no body now on earth but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ must look out into the world.
Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands

with which he is to bless his people.

St. Teresa of Avila, 1515-1582, Spanish Carmelite nun, named the first woman Doctor of the Church.

YOUR MARRIAGE CAN KEEP TRANSFORMING YOU At a Wardwide Marriage Engages

At a *Worldwide Marriage Encounter* weekend you'll discover how to keep your life together as the gift that keeps on giving, always. Upcoming Marriage Encounter weekends are April 19-21 and July 26-28, both in Central Ohio. For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 740-746-9003 or visit our website at www.wwm.ecolumbus.org.

...from the diocesan Marriage & Family Life Office Healthful and Heart-full Love: Natural Family Planning Unlike other forms of family planning, NFP Charting of menstrual cycles helps women to monitor their health and detect problems. And couples who use NFP report it strengthens their marriage through shared responsibility, better communication, and increased respect and trust for their spouse. Learn NFP at one of these convenient locations:

- Mt. Carmel St. Ann's Hospital, 500 South Cleveland Avenue, Westerville, Tuesday evenings, 7:00-9:00 p.m. (began on March 19) and April 2, April 16, and May 14.
- **St. Brendan Parish**, 4475 Dublin Road, Hilliard, Sunday evenings, 5:00-7:00 p.m., beginning on April 7 and continuing on April 21, May 19, and June 23.
- Additional class series locations are listed online at <u>www.FamilyLife.</u> colsdioc.org.

Cost is \$65.00 per couple; financial assistance is available upon need. To register or for more information about diocesan NFP classes, contact the Marriage & Family Life Office at (614) 241-2560 or familylife@colsdioc.org.

Women and Suffering, a quiet, weekend women's retreat focusing on the mystery of suffering and God's redemptive love in their lives, will be held at St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad Street, Columbus, on April 19 -21. The retreat will be directed by Rev. Michael Mary Dosch, OP, Pastor of St. Patrick's Parish in Columbus. The retreat begins on Friday afternoon and concludes Sunday. Cost for the weekend event is \$125.00: for registration or additional information, contact St. Therese's at 614-866-1611 or at mmurphy.stthereses @gmail.com.

The Catholic Foundation is hosting A CONVERSATION WITH PATRICK MADRID – Tuesday, April 30 – 6:00-8:00 p.m.

The Catholic Foundation is hosting a free event in their Conversation series at their offices located in downtown Columbus, 257 East Broad Street. Best-selling author of 16 books and EWTN television and radio host Patrick Madrid will speak on "Is Everything Up for Grabs?" a Catholic Critique of Moral Relativism. This presentation provides a practical, down-to-earth explanation of what moral relativism is (the notion that all beliefs are relative and there is no such thing as "objective" truth) and how to recognize its more subtle forms. Patrick exposes the seven fatal flaws of moral relativism, offers sample dialogues for speaking with moral relativists, and he explains how Catholics can respond to moral relativist arguments in a friendly yet effective way. The event is free but reservations are preferred due to limited seating. To reserve your seat, contact Julie Naporano at jnaporano@catholic-foundation.org or 614-443-8893.

Wednesdays with Wagner

Wednesdays with Wagner Bible Study online at 7:30 p.m. To join Father Wagner in the live discussion, go to <u>fatherwagner.com</u> on Wednesdays. Can't make it? It's recorded so watch the recorded session anytime on his website.