

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER — MAY 4, 2008

Mass Intentions

May 3 - SATURDAY—EVENING MASS

4:15 PM — Chuck Smith by Family

May 4 — ASCENSION

9:00 AM —Marie Skummer by Mary Anne Skummer

11:00 AM — First Holy Communion

May 5 - MONDAY - EASTER WEEKDAY

7:00 PM — Maria and Joseph DeFrank by daughter Flo DeFrank

May 6 — TUESDAY— EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00 AM — Henry Babiarz by Mary Anne Skummer

May 7 — WEDNESDAY — EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00 AM — Mr. and Mrs. John Witkus, Anniversary by Family

May 8 — THURSDAY— EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00 AM — Arthur lalongo by Jean Dinnocenzo

May 9 — FRIDAY— EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00 AM — Lorraine Arendt by Family

May 10 — SATURDAY - EVENING MASS

4:15 PM — Rose Pustelnik by Allan and Sylvia Perez

May 11— PENTECOST

MOTHER'S DAY

9:00 AM — Ann Fowler, Emily Holz and Assuntia Tieri by Fowler Family

11:00 AM — For All Our Mothers

Sunday Collection \$ 3,973.00

School Collection \$ 105.00

Many thanks to all for your support of the Parish. Your support is greatly appreciated.

For an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life in the diocese of Joliet, that more men and women will respond with generosity to the call to serve God in religious vocations, we pray to the Lord.

St. Mary Website: www.stmaryparkforest.org

Weekend — May 10-11

Eucharistic Ministers

4:15 PM — F. Carra, C. Herrmann, (D. Marconi)

9:00 AM — W. Martinez, R. Martinez,(J. Dinnocenzo)

11:00 AM — C. Russell, B. Ruzich, (T. Donald)

Lectors

4:15 PM — J. Carra

9:00 AM — P. Schanaberger

11:00 AM — L. Powers

Altar Servers

4:15 PM — L. Kendrick, L. Fagan, E. Daviera

9:00 AM — J. Weisel, K. Weisel, E. Torres

11:00 AM — V. Volpe, M. Pierce, B. Camilli

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

MAY 4 (Communion—**NO CLASS**), 11, 18 and 25

JUNE 1, 8th—LAST DAY—R. E. PICNIC

REGISTER FOR 2008-2009 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS!

Registration continues through May 25, 2008. Forms are available at the back of the Church. Late registration will be in the fall and will incur a late fee.

Our Parish **May Crowning** will take place May 7th at the 8:00 AM Mass. All are invited to attend this special ceremony honoring Mary, our Mother.

Please be reminded, St. Mary School “Shop and share Days” at Jewel Food Stores are May 5, 6, & 7. Bring a coupon and present it with your order, and our school will receive 5% of your purchase.

A special THANK YOU to Mary Anne Skummer for her generous contribution to the 7th Grade Science Room. We will update the lockers and replace some needed equipment.

Council of Catholic Women

DONUT SUNDAY TODAY. Enjoy donuts and coffee after the Sunday Masses in Ryan Hall.

We extend our congratulations to and our prayers for the First Communicants on this, their special day.

A reminder to all who are attending the **Deanery Spring Institute** next Wednesday, May 7th. We will meet in our St. Mary parking lot that evening at 5:00

PARISH COOKBOOK

Our cookbooks will be delivered in early June. We have order blanks, envelopes and a jar set up in the back of Church for your convenience in paying for them in advance (\$15 per book). If you placed a "pre-order" now is the time that we are accepting payment. And if you DIDN'T place a pre-order, now is ALSO the time when we will accept payment! You may pay by cash or check made payable to St Mary Church.

Questions? Call Mary Knutson at 708-758-7747 or e-mail her at MK52559@aol.com.

PARISH PICNIC

During the Parish Picnic on June 8, we are having a bean bag tournament. There will be a tournament for adults and for children. Prizes will be awarded. We're also looking for people to bring some more bean bag toss games. To register or bring bags, call John or Karla Wcisel at 708-946-6171.

"I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work you gave me to do." How well are we doing God's will in loving our spouse? Plan to attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on June 6-8, 2008. Contact Tom and Mary Leonard at 630-577-0778. For more information visit our website at: wwmejoliet.org.

MARIAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

We congratulate the students from our Parish named on the 3rd Quarter Honor Roll at Marian: Tiffany Lewis and Saralyn Muckian.

First Midwest Bank Amphitheater Summer Concerts

St. Mary has a booth for Summer Concerts. If anyone is interested in working some summer concerts. Please contact either Patricia Fowler at 754-7934 or Shanna Mitchell at 710-6182. You MUST be TIPS certified to work. These shows are a lot of fun and you would be helping out St. Mary School. Please consider joining us this summer.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104; 1 Cor 12:3b-7:12-13; Jn 20:19-23

2008 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Diocese of Joliet

Our Faith helps us to recognize that gratitude is at the heart of generosity. We are all "*Rays of Hope & Love*" that continue to shine and supply the needs of God's people with expressions of thanks to God. If you have not made a gift to the Catholic Ministries Annual, please do so today. Your gift touches many lives.



**ST. MARY PARISH
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Sunday, May 4, 2008



We congratulate the following 2nd Graders who will be receiving the *Sacrament of First Holy Communion* at Mass today at the 11:00 AM Mass. Welcome to the Table of the Lord!

**Amilee Carla Dorantes
Alexandria Noelle Filipello
Alex James Hamilton
James Robert Kamowski
Casey Charles Lassiter
Sean Ivan Michael McDermott
Gavin Michael Moore
Lauren Kathleen O'Kane
Emily Crystal Ann Reardon
Alexander Lake Syverson
Sidney Khadi Todd
Riley Christopher Wagner
Tatyana Jolie Wilson
Gabrielle Christo
Alexander Brian Dubin
Stephanie Kapanowski
Sydney Elyse Kent
Alexander John White**

**St. Mary School
18th Annual Track-a-thon
Friday, May 9**

Students will run or walk for one hour to raise money for their school by collecting pledges for the event. *Please help us to reach our goal of raising \$15,000.* If we meet our goal the entire school will get a day off ! There will be students available after each Mass for you to sponsor, or pledges may be turned into the school office any time.

Thank you for helping our school.



Diocese of Joliet
Catholic Ministries
Annual Appeal

UPDATE

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| St. Mary Parish Goal: | \$19,300.00 |
| Total Donors: | 68 |
| Total \$ Pledged: | \$7,233.00 |
| Total Paid: | \$5,775.25 |
| Goal Percentage: | 37% |

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| Diocesan Goal: | \$6,400,000 |
| Total Donors: | 18,816 |
| Total \$ Pledged: | \$2,529,553 |
| Total Paid: | \$1,837,923 |
| Goal Percentage: | 40% |

Thank you for your continued support of the 2008 Catholic Ministries Appeal!

**ST. MARY CHURCH AND SCHOOL
50th Anniversary Celebration**

St. Mary Parish begins a year-long celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the founding of our parish "*Celebrating Faith and Family*" on **June 8, 2008, with a 11 AM Mass with Fr. Henry Wilkening**, founding pastor of our parish, with a parish picnic following. The celebration will conclude on **June 7, 2009**, with Bishop Peter Sartain, with a anniversary banquet following at Dinolfro's Banquet Hall, Mokena, IL.

A 50TH ANNIVERSARY ENVELOPE is included in your offertory envelopes in the months of May and June. Please place this envelope donation in the regular collection. It will be used to fund all the events and celebrations for the entire year-long Anniversary of our parish.

THANK YOU, PARTNERS!

An Appreciation Luncheon was held for our Partners-in-Education last week. Our partners are: *Mary Anne Skummer, Steve & Cathy Seper, Pat Schanaberger, Eleanore Burt, Sam DiGiovanni, Rev. James Schwab, Caryl-Anne Russell, Bill and Barb Noone, In Memory of Marcella Epstein, Knights of Columbus Nina Council, Mary Gorman, Joseph & Jackie Smith, Lois Powers, Alan & Carol Bartels, Teresa Donald, Wcisel Family, Coleman Family, Safety Meeting Outlines, Helen Wegrzyn, John & Kathleen Ladowicz, Rudy & Wendy Martinez, Dc. John & Sandy Drechny, Michael and Susan McGirr, Carol Janaszak, and In Memory of Raymond Brzoska. THANK YOU!*