

St. Mary of the Woods Parish

*September
24*

PHILIPPIANS 1:20

*Christ will be
MAGNIFIED
in my body, whether by life or
by death. For to me life is
CHRIST
& death is gain.*

Twenty - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule:

Monday - Friday, 8AM & 12:05PM

Saturday, 8AM & 4PM

Sunday, 7AM, 9AM, 11AM, 8PM

Confessions:

Monday, 8:30AM

**Saturday, 1-3:30PM or anytime by
appointment.**

Marriage:

**Contact Fr. Brian Roby at the Parish Office
one year before the wedding date.**

Baptisms: Contact the Parish Office.

A.A. & Al-anon Meetings:

Sunday, 8PM in SMWS.

Parish Office:

Phone 270-233-4196

Fax 270-233-5557

www.stmaryofthewoodswhitesville.com

Rectory: 270-233-4529

St. Mary School:

Phone 270-233-5253

www.stmarywoods.com

Trinity High School:

Phone 270-233-5533

www.trinityhs.com

Horn Community Center:

270-233-5405

Mission Statement

By Word and Sacrament, we are sent to glorify God with our lives.

From the Pastor

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

radical **solidarity**



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Next weekend is Respect Life Sunday. In the Gospel of John, shortly before He is to suffer His Passion, Jesus proclaims to His disciples: “I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another” (Jn 13:34). And it is love for one another that Jesus says will be the identifying characteristic of his disciples. The Church’s entire social doctrine is guided by the fundamental principle that every human life has innate dignity and incomparable value: Every human being is the object of God’s infinite tenderness, and He himself is present in their lives. As disciples of Christ, we are called to make a sacrificial gift of ourselves for the sake of our neighbor, for to love someone is to desire that person’s good and to take effective steps to secure it.

Fulfilling Christ’s command to love one another takes shape in our practice of solidarity. Solidarity is the means by which we put our love for others into action, making the good of others our own. Solidarity is not a feeling of vague compassion or shallow distress at the misfortunes of so many people. On the contrary, it is a firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to the common good, to the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all.

In reaction to the overturning of Roe v. Wade, some areas of the country now protect the child in the womb, while others are doing all they can to increase access to abortion. At this critical moment, we have been entrusted with new opportunities and new responsibilities to build a civilization of authentic love. Our culture claims to offer women so-called “choice,” but ultimately abandons mothers to make tragic and painful decisions alone. We must lead the way in showing the alternative: In firmly rejecting ‘pro-choice’ it is necessary to become courageously ‘pro woman,’ promoting a choice that is truly in favor of women. ... The only honest stance, in these cases, is that of radical solidarity with the woman. It is not right to leave her alone.

Experience shows that when a mother is supported, she is even capable of heroism. Radical solidarity compels us to come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It requires us to address the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her. We must do all we can to provide mothers, children, and families with the support they need to flourish. This cannot be accomplished by laws or policy alone, but requires the continual transformation of our own hearts, recognizing in every person the face of Christ, and placing their needs before our own.

Radical solidarity refers to something more than a few sporadic acts of generosity. It presumes the creation of a new mindset. A culture of radical solidarity gets involved by word and deed in people’s daily lives and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others. We each have our particular gifts, role, and obligation within the Body of Christ to help build a culture of life. We must honestly ask ourselves, what radical, out-of-the-ordinary, actions have I taken to help a pregnant or parenting mother in need, or to proactively contribute to a culture of life in some other way?

Inspired by Christ’s own example of love, may we enter fully into the fabric of society, sharing the lives of all, listening to their concerns, helping them materially and spiritually in their needs, rejoicing with those who rejoice, weeping with those who weep. May we work together to bring about a culture of life through radical, sacrificial, Christ-like love.

Peace, Joy, and Love,
Fr. Brian J. Roby

Prayer REQUESTS

Easton Pedley, Ashley Johnson, Doris Hagan, Gerald Rhodes, Mildred Boarman, Donna Root, David Jennings, Mary Johnson, Karen Lee, Jennifer Stinnett, Rob Park, Martine Boarman, Sheila Moore, Charlotte Ralph, Gunner Payne, Debbie Mills, Stephanie Mattingly, Jamie Clark, Judy Rhodes, Stella Nash, Virgil Head, Marvin & Mary Ann Bickwermert, Adalyn Payne. ***To keep the list current, please call the office when names should be added or removed. Names may be removed at the Pastor or editors discretion.***

Our American Men & Women who serve our country in all parts of the world. *Keep them safe O Lord & bring them home soon.* Tony Burch, David Stiff, Michael Bickwermert, Robbylyn Young, Beau Knott, Briar Roberts, Seth Midkiff, Logan Bickett, Nick Duvall, Katie Duvall, Devin Blythe, Chase Chatmon, Bowen Adams, Brady Boarman, Wyatt Fulkerson.
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Homebound receiving visits from the parish. Bernadine Dean, Genevieve Boarman, Ruth Anderson, Mary Ann Wright, Donna McKinley, Mildred Boarman, Joyce Merritt, David Jennings, Vincent & Barbara Brown, JoAnn Kauffeld, Donald & Shirley Howard, Marvin Bickwermert.

Nursing Homes: Edith Payne, Martha Rose Hagan, Sherry Johnson, Bob Howard, Mary Ann Bickwermert. Please contact the office if there are any parishioners in nursing homes not listed above. We would like to keep our list as up to date as possible.

Parishioners in formation for Consecrated life- Sister Mary Thomas of the Open Heart of Christ (Madeline Mattingly) with the Sister Servants of the Eternal Word and Sister Bethany Marie of the Glorious Wounds of Christ (Hannah Bland) with the Passionist Nuns.

We pray for all those who are discerning their vocation in life, particularly those whom the Lord is calling to consecrated life. May they be given the wisdom to hear God's call and the courage to respond generously.

Bulletin Sponsor of the Week

St. Mary of the Woods Parish would like to say
Thank You to one of our Bulletin Sponsors -
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From the Editor

Bulletin announcements must be submitted in writing by **10:00AM on Monday** to Sara at sara.schrecker@stmarywoods.com

Altar Care for October

Deanie Midkiff, Rita Hardesty, Bonnie Brown

Flower Memorial

Anyone wishing to put flowers in the front of the altar In Honor or In Memory of someone the following dates are available:

August 2024: 3/4

Sept. 2024: 7/8, 14/15, 21/22, 27/28

Oct. 2024: 5/6, 12/13, 19/20, 26/27

Cost: \$60. Call Sara at the Parish Office to schedule.



October Outreach

The August Outreach for St. Mary will go to Crossroads in Owensboro. This is an organization that provides food and supplies through a food pantry and emergency overnight shelter. There is a constant need for: canned vegetables/fruit, canned meats, peanut butter, pasta, laundry detergent, soap, toothpaste and personal hygiene items. Please place donated items inside the bins located at the entrances of the church. Thank you for your donations.
Contact persons: Frank/Connie Hagan 270-314-0717

Landscaping Weeding

Week of September 24th—Matthew Brant Family

Weekly Cemetery Clean Up Schedule

Beginning in September:

1st week of the month – Aiden Morris
2nd week of the month – Mark Dorth
3rd week of the month – Kenny Nash
4th week of the month – Jones Family

ST. MARY OF THE WOODS CATHOLIC CHURCH

10534 Main Cross Street, Whitesville, KY 42378

Phone 1-270-233-4196 Fax 1-270-233-5557 Catholic Radio WJOR 95.5

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Online Giving - go to website www.stmaryofthewoodswhitesville.com and click Online Parish Giving!

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary of the Woods Weddings

September 30, 2023 - Cameron Wright & Savannah Aull, 6PM

October 14, 2023 - Noah Pike & Leah Kesel, 6PM

December 2, 2023 - Russ Roberts & Erica Russelburg, 4PM

December 31, 2023 - Zeke Roberts & Taylor Robinson, 7PM at St. Stephens Cathedral

June 1, 2024 - Jack Goetz & Mattie Lyons, 6:30PM

June 15, 2024 - Paul Rhodes & Brianna Park, 6PM

Perpetual Adoration

Overall Coordinator: Majella Mills 929-7060

Eucharistic



Adoration

Quarterly Division Leaders:

Sandy Merritt 233-4009 Midnight - 6AM;
Hope Brey 314-1638 6AM - Noon;
Sharon Boarman 929-4644 Noon - 6PM;
Dottie Pogue 233-4943 6PM - Midnight

Prayer Request

To make a prayer request, contact one of the following on the Parish Telephone Prayer Chain:



Brenda Hamilton 270-316-5686;
Norma Kaelin 270-315-8642;
Alice Howard 270-314-8957;
Katie Christian 270-233-5081

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Who Are the Angels?

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. Mark Miravalle, Saint John Paul II Chair of Mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville, to discuss the angels. What is an angel? What are the choirs of angels? How do we engage with our guardian angels?

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and gracieus press

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Budget News

Weekly Parish Budget Needs	26,942.31
Building & Grounds Fund	16,957.24
Campaign Income for New School	2,683,000.13
Campaign Pledges (494) as of 9/18	9,471,600.10
Tuition Assistance	5,829.65
SMWS Endowment	20,682.12
THS Endowment	910,949.71
9/17 Regular Sunday Collection	15,448.36
Online Reg Sunday Collection	4,732.50
Total Reg Sunday Collection	20,180.86

Online Giving

Are you interested in Automatic Withdrawal?

For more information, contact Sara at the Parish Office, 270-233-4196.

The secure site for parishioners to create an account is

<https://www.osvhub.com/>

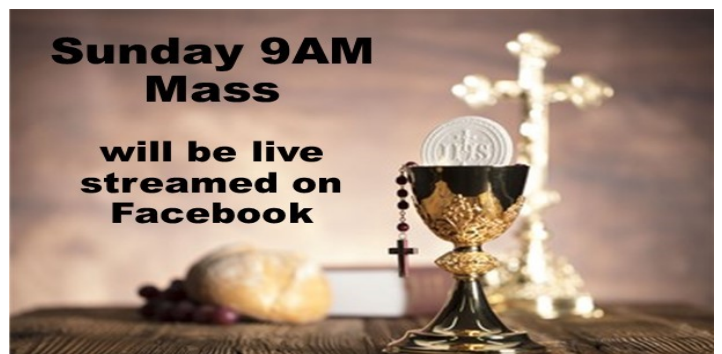
[stmaryofthewoodswhitesville/funds](https://www.osvhub.com/stmaryofthewoodswhitesville/funds).



*Did you know the average age a person makes their first will is 44?
A will is your last statement as to what is important to you.
Do you have a will? Have you included St. Mary of the Woods in your will?*

Sunday 9AM Mass

will be live
streamed on
Facebook



Live Streaming Schedule

1st Sunday-Randy Howard; 2nd Sunday-John Gray;
3rd Sunday-Jennifer Barnett; 4th Sunday-Chad Mills;
5th Sunday & Sub-Lisa Edge

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



4:00 PM Saturday—September 30

Lectors: Bailey Onstott, Jessica Morris

Servers: Hunter Jones, Wade & Henry Burch

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Rose Howard, Crystal Mayfield, Delilah Higdon, Jaime Howard, Alicia Kurz

Musicians: Ryan

Min. of Hospitality: Kenny Nash—Capt., Mark Bickett, Marion Willett, Jeremy McDaniel, Drew Preston, Dalton Howard, Linny Howard

7:00 AM Sunday—October 1

Lectors: Maranda Ward, Della Mitchell

Servers: Scarlett Brey, Paisley & Presley Merritt

Eucharistic Ministers: Megan Rhodes, Evan Burch, Pamela Hagan, Hope Boarman, Sandy Merritt

Musicians: David

Min. of Hospitality: Michael Knott—Capt., Barry Midkiff, Bill Howard, Donnie Ward, Steve Knott

9:00 AM Sunday—October 1

Lectors: Kenny Barr, Stacey Johnson

Servers: Isaac Hernandez, Kaleb Ray, Lida Coomes

Eucharistic Ministers: Valerie Hiatt, Nathan & Will Hernandez, Kristen Jones, Ashley Wright

Musicians: David

Min. of Hospitality: Kenny Mills—Capt., Jack Mills, Corbin Mills, Chuck Hardesty, James Jarboe, Justin Bickett

11:00 AM Sunday—October 1

Lectors: Taylor Pedley, Parker Driskill

Servers: Hannah Higdon, Aaron Wright, Ian Roby

Eucharistic Ministers: Bob Cinnamon, Connor Hatfield, Vickie Morris, Samuel Johnson, Colsi Pace

Musicians: David

Min. of Hospitality: Allen Bickett—Capt., Pat Hardesty, Mike Isbill, Leland Isbill, Louis Mattingly, Justin Brown, Bruce Roberts

8:00 PM Sunday—September 24

Lectors: Volunteer

Servers: Volunteer

Eucharistic Ministers: Volunteer

Musician: Alicia Jones

Min of Hospitality: Volunteers

September 24, 2023



Sat 23	8:00am	†Ed & †Joan Wells
	4:00pm	L/D Paul & Anita Howard Family
Sun 24	7:00am	St. Mary of the Woods Parishioners
	9:00am	Bert & Joan Payne's 40th Wedding Anniversary
	11:00am	No Mass
	8:00pm	Souls in Purgatory
Mon 25	8:00am	Mark & Mary Messer Family
	12:05pm	†Doris Knott
Tues 26	8:00am	Mary Haycraft
	12:05pm	†Tony Hagan
Wed 27	8:00am	†Abram Turner
	12:05pm	†Marty Mills
Thurs 28	8:00am	†Warren Lanham
	12:05pm	L/D Wendell & Mary Ann Aud Family
Fri 29	8:00am	†Linda Helm
	12:05pm	†Brenda Simmons
Sat 30	8:00am	†Jean Ann Rearden
	4:00pm	†Larry Wayne Goetz
Sun 1	7:00am	†Carl Wall
	9:00am	L/D Tom & Anna Jean Wathen Family
	11:00am	St. Mary of the Woods Parishioners
	8:00pm	†Rod Crowe

St. Mary & Trinity High School Mass Days 2023-2024

Tuesdays, Grades Pre-K-6 at 8AM &
Fridays, Grades 7-12 at 8AM

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9; Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday:	Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32



ST. MARY
OF THE WOODS
SCHOOL



TRINITY
High School

Calendar:

September 25 SMWS Volleyball at Webster County, 5:30-7:30PM
September 25 THS Volleyball vs Meade County, 5:30-8PM
September 26 THS Volleyball vs Ohio County, 3:45-8PM
September 27 SMWS Volleyball at Owensboro Catholic Middle, 6-9PM
September 28 SMWS Volleyball vs Mary Carrico, 5-7:30PM
September 29 Sadie Hawkins Dance in the HCC, 8-11PM

School Happenings:

Thank you to **Nora Leonard, Reese Payne and Mason Payne** for raising money for the Capital Campaign by selling baked goods at the Whitesville Car Show. These students raised over \$1600!

Nora, Reese, Mason, and family—you are greatly appreciated!

Congratulations to the St. Mary of the Woods School softball team for defeating Breckinridge County 14-1, Hancock County 3-0, and Grayson County 6-4. Way to go girls! Also, Congratulations to the SMWS 8th grade volleyball team on defeating Cannelton, Webster County, Mary Carrico, and Henderson Holy Name. The 6th/7th grade team lost to Mary Carrico but defeated Cannelton, Webster County, and Henderson Holy Name. Great job, girls!



Two weekends ago, Paisley Merritt (3rd) and Carter Mayfield (10th) both placed in the top ten of their cross country race. At that race, the elementary boys team placed 3rd overall with Carter Mayfield placing 10th, Gabe Bickett 11th, Samuel Payne 19th, Luke Howard 25th, and Griffin Hatfield placing 34th. In the middle school race, Presley Merritt placed 16th for the girls with a time of 14:40, while Gavin Starks placed 18th for the boys with a time of 12:01, and Ian White placed 39th for the boys with a time of 14:52. Last weekend, our teams competed at Gatorland in Bowling Green. In the middle school girls 3K race, Presley Merritt placed 45th with a time of 15:49. In the middle school boys 3K race, Jacob Aud finished 28th with a time of 12:36, Gavin Starks finished 55th with a time of 14:06, and Ian White finished 89th with a time of 16:39. In the elementary girls race, Paisley Merritt placed 15th with a time of 9:28. In the elementary boys race, Carter Mayfield placed 20th with a time of 8:43, Samuel Payne finished 42nd with a time of 9:23, Gabe Bickett finished 48th with a time of 9:29, Luke Howard finished 67th with a time of 9:57, and Jasper Roby finished 98th with a time of 11:13. The boys elementary team placed 6th out of 12 teams.

Our high school cross country team also ran at the Gatorland race over the weekend, and many of our Raider runners set new personal records. Jacob Howard finished 37th with a time of 19:00, Grant Howard finished 43rd with a time of 19:19, Thomas Payne finished 84th with a time of 20:40, Tate Howard finished 47th with a time of 21:07 and Dalton Millay placed 144rd with a time of 23:14.

Emily Hernandez

Principal, St. Mary of the Woods Grade School & Trinity High School.

Safe Environment

To report suspected abuse, call the Kentucky Child Protection Hot Line: 1-877-KYSAFE1 or 1-877-597-2331 (Toll Free) or contact your local Commonwealth Attorney. To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, call Scott Ingram, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380 or Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators (Spanish) at 270-880-8360. You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment (owensborodiocese.org/safe) for more information. To make a report of sexual abuse of a minor and related misconduct by bishops, go to ReportBishopAbuse.org or call 1-800-276-1562.

ALLOCATED BOURBON RAFFLE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15TH AT NOON IN
THE PARISH HALL

★ 10 YEAR OLD RIP VAN WINKLE ★



★ EAGLE RARE

★ BLANTON'S

PRIZE 1



★ WELLER SPECIAL RESERVE

★ EH TAYLOR SMALL BATCH

★ SAZERAC RYE

PRIZE 2



MUST BE 21 TO ENTER
\$10 EACH

PRIZE 3



PRIZE 4



★ [2] MARKER'S MARK

KEENLAN ED. DERBY BOTTLES

[RED & BLUE TOPS]

★ WOODFORD RESERVE
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ST. MARY OF THE WOODS
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

MARGARITAS & Mystagogy

Discovering Elements of Catholicism that Leave Us in Awe

Thursday, September 28th @6pm

Papa Grande on Hwy 54 - Front Patio



Featuring: *Laura Shoulders*

Join us as we exercise the gift of Wonder & Awe in learning about *Living as His Beloved* with Laura Shoulders! Laura serves as the Religious Education Minister at Sts. Joseph & Paul Catholic Church in Owensboro, and is the Director of the Encounter School of Ministry - Lexington Campus.

Those under 21 are welcome to attend and partake in the restaurant's non-alcoholic drink selection

Awakening: An Invitation to Come Home to the Catholic Church

If there is anyone in your life that has walked away from the Catholic Church, we encourage you to extend an invitation to participate in our new ministry, **Awakening**. The 6-session Program will begin **Thursday, October 19th at 6PM** in the Activity Room of the Parish Hall and will occur weekly through November 30th. Invitations can be picked up after Mass or in the Parish Office. Please contact Emily Gipson at the Parish Office with any questions or for more information.

RCIA

If you know of anyone interested in becoming Catholic our formal RCIA Sessions are on **Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00PM** in the Activity Room of the Parish Hall. For more information or if you have questions, please contact Emily Gipson at the Parish Office, 270-233-4196 or email, emily.gipson@stmarywoods.com

Baptismal Prep

Contact the office to begin Baptismal Prep for you and your child. Parents and Godparents are asked to prepare for this important step in the faith of our children.



CATHOLICISM 101: ADULT EDUCATION + FORMATION

Cultural Issues: HOMOSEXUAL MARRIAGE & THE CATHOLIC RESPONSE

Wednesday,
October 25th
6:00pm

Activity Room
of the
Parish Hall

Co-ed/Pick-up Softball

Thursday Nights, 7-8:30PM

Participant Age: 18-39

Sept. 21, 28 & Oct. 5, 19, 26

Field #5 behind St. Pius X Catholic Church
(3536 E. 8th St., Owensboro, KY)

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PUMPKIN *young adult* CARVING

PUMPKINS PROVIDED!

12TH | **WHITESVILLE**
October | **PARK**

Start At **5:30PM**

SCAN THE QR CODE TO RSVP AND SECURE YOUR PUMPKIN



We are looking for volunteers to provide food for weekly youth group as well as assist and help supervise. If you have the time or resources to help, please email johnny.sherfick@stmarywoods.com

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection September 24, 2023

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

IS 55:6-9; PS 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; PHIL 1:20C-24, 27A; MT 20:1-16A

Though we can never fully grasp the infinite perfection of God and His ways, a basic knowledge of Scripture reveals that God's logic often differs from worldly logic.

Our first reading, from Isaiah, reminds us that God often thinks bigger than we do. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts." As His followers we must strive as best we can to think as God does, using our time (and our talents and treasure, too) with eternity in mind.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus offers us a glimpse of the "Godly logic" of the Father through a parable of a landowner hiring workers for his vineyard. Some workers are called early in the day, others not until very late. Yet the landowner pays them all a full day's wage. This angered the laborers who had worked longest. But those laborers were relying on human logic and human calculations. They were not thinking as God does.

This can happen to us Christian stewards as well. We can grumble and complain (at least internally) when we compare ourselves to others and sense that not everyone is contributing as much as we are to the parish, the neighborhood, within our family and so on. At those moments, we need to think bigger!

We must remember that it is a great privilege to have been called by the Father to work in His vineyard. Living the stewardship way of life brings us meaning, depth and purpose.

Let's embrace this Godly thinking and thank Him for calling us to this way of life.

Bereavement Ministry Meetings

October 14th, November 11th,
& December 9th.

All meetings will be held at
**10AM in the Long Trail
Activity Room** of the
Parish Hall.

For more information, contact
Lucy Felty, 270-826-7038.



THE 33RD DIOCESAN MARIAN CONGRESS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2023

12:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

"ST. JOSEPH, PILLAR OF THE FAMILY"

Keynote Address by Fr. Joseph Morgan, CPM
Adoration, Marian Procession, and Confessions
4 pm Vigil mass offered at Parish

To be held on the campus of Saint Joseph Catholic Church
434 Church Ave. Bowling Green, KY 42101



Rachel's Vineyard offers post-abortion healing retreats for women & men who are suffering from the lingering effects of abortion. Rita: (270) 474-4707
retreats@hopeafterabortionky.com
<http://hopeafterabortionky.com>

St. Mary's Prayer Bible Study Group

Tuesdays, 6:00-7:15PM in St. Mary's Cafeteria
Studying the New Testament, Singing, Praying & Sharing Together!

Knights of Columbus Turkey Shoot

Every Sunday beginning Oct. 1st—Nov. 19th

Shooting starts at 1PM. Please arrive early to enter. Located behind KOC Hall (7812 Haynes Station Rd., Whitesville, KY). Prizes include, hams, turkeys, and cash along with half pot and many other prizes.

St. Mary of the Woods Parish Council Meeting Minutes | Monday, August 28, 2023

Attendance: Jessica Morris, BJ Starks, Jennifer Barnett, Fr. Brian Roby, Cory Smith, Brad Pedley, Jordan Bittel, Corey Smith, Ryan Aud, Susan Roby

Absent: Amanda Jarboe

- I. Opening Prayer
- II. Review of Minutes
- III. New Business
 - A. Stewardship Committee –
 - i. Plans to dissolve stewardship committee as the stewardship appeal is mostly handled by St. Mary's staff.
 - B. Committee Chair Appointments –
 - i. Worship and Spiritual Life – Geri Kramer has accepted a 3-year term as committee chair, replacing Mary Barnett who has served two terms
 - ii. Social Life- Kadie Riney has accepted a 3-year term as committee chair, replacing Brandon and Samantha Coomes who have served one term.
 - C. Parish Perpetual Adoration anniversary – Sun. Oct 29, 2023 the anniversary celebration will be held. Holy hour presided over by Bishop Medley. Coordinator and division leaders will be honored. This has been submitted to Western KY Catholic.
 - D. Staff update –
 - i. Debbie Aud resigned from her position as Business Manager.
 - ii. Samantha McMichael has accepted the position and transitioned with Debbie.
 - E. Cemetery update –
 - i. The finance committee approved the expenditure for a concrete road to be installed in the new part of the cemetery.
 - ii. Future plans to install a pavilion to serve as a chapel for services.
 - F. School attendance numbers
 - i. 296 enrolled at St. Mary
 - ii. 88 enrolled at Trinity
- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Finance – BJ Starks
 - i. 70 families have paid tuition in full to take advantage of the discounted rate
 - B. Stewardship – Amanda Jarboe (absent)
 - i. Father Brian noted 50 - 60% response from the informal appeal
 - C. Worship & Spiritual Life – Brad Pedley
 - i. Discussion of replacing music supplements in 5-6 months
 - ii. Preparing for the Perpetual Adoration Anniversary
 - D. Social Life – Cory Smith
 - i. Discussion of year-long events schedule including movie night, trivia night, Donut Sunday with Santa, Bourbon & BBQ night, Community Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, Cinco de Mayo Bunco and Margarita night
 - E. Education/Formation – Jordan Bittel
 - i. Youth ministry updates – NCYC coming up. Youth group core team in the process of being formed with 4 additional adult volunteers.
 - ii. 1st Communion and Confirmation letters went out 37/42 expected this year
 - iii. Families of Faith- 37 families registered 59 kids. First meeting Sep 13
 - iv. Need additional children's liturgy volunteer at 4pm Mass. We need additional volunteers overall. We are struggling to get enough volunteers and do not want to have to discontinue this ministry.
 - v. RCIA inquiry sessions have begun
 - vi. Adult Ed Catholicism 101- 8 people in attendance for the first session
 - vii. Ministry to inactive Catholics – The Awakening, kickoff Sep 17, sessions beginning Oct 19 – Nov 30. Everyone in the parish will be able to gift an invitation to those who are out of the church and need a welcome back.
 - viii. Young adult ministry is going well.

Continued

Council Meeting Minutes Continued

F. Outreach – Susan Roby

- i. Two Pitino shelter team leaders are retiring but new teams have been formed based on response from stewardship appeal.

G. Steering Committee – Terra Knight (absent)

- i. Committee members are still working with Axiom and Bryant Engineering to finalize a few remaining items for building and site plans.
- ii. Working with Bryant Engineering to address regulations on the ditch and applying for permits to relocate the sewer line in the near future. Work for this is anticipated to be donated service by parishioners.
- iii. Committee members are also going to start meeting with teachers to start planning for specific interior designs.
- iv. We must have 40% cash on hand to move forward with bids (of \$12M). We have \$2.7M on hand currently and are looking to break ground next spring/early summer.

V. Next Meeting: 9/25/23 6:00 PM

VI. Meeting adjourned with prayer



St. Mary of the Woods 19th Annual Variety Show



Date: October 21, 2023

Place: St. Mary's Parish Hall, Whitesville KY

Time: 6:00 pm

Live Music, including Musician & Song Writer, Scott Lindsey, & other talented Musicians, Singers, Dancers/Cloggers, with lots of comedy skits.

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Saint Raphael Farm Lease

The St. Raphael Farm Lease expires 12/31/2023. This lease is for a three-year period. If you are interested in submitting a bid for leasing the approximate 154 tillable acres on this farm, please email bill.blincoe@pastoral.org.

The deadline for submitting bids is **12:00 Noon Central Time - 10/31/2023**

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