Mission Statement
We, the people of Mary, Queen of Peace, are called to be a Catholic faith community centered around prayer and worship and embodying Gospel values. We are a family of Christians committed to growth in faith and holiness as signs of God's presence in the world. We act in imitation of Christ, by reaching beyond ourselves in service to others.
Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 13  
Noon  † In loving memory of Dennis Graves.

Tuesday, March 14  
Noon  For the health and well-being of Al Root.

Wednesday, March 15  
7:00 p.m.  † For all Souls.

Thursday, March 16  
5:30 p.m.  † In loving memory of Rose Mary Sheley.

Friday, March 17  
8:30 a.m.  † In loving memory of Charles Lewis.

Saturday, March 18  
5:00 p.m.  A special intention for Nathan Novak.

Sunday, March 19  3rd Sunday of Lent  
8:00 a.m.  For our family, St. Mary, Queen of Peace. 
10:30 a.m.  † In loving memory of Philip L. Trabulsi.

West Deanery Reconciliation Services

April 4  7:00 p.m. at St. Susanna, Plainfield
April 5  7:00 p.m. at St. Christopher, Speedway
April 7  7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas More, Mooresville

Lenten Disciplines

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one’s needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. By the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving and prayer, the Church keeps Lent from Ash Wednesday until the evening of Holy Thursday, which is on April 13.

For all those living in assisted living and nursing homes, also Pat Birchler, Pauline Cave, Peggy Cave, Rita Fritsch, Jim Goldman, Joe Hawkins, Bob Kult, Meeda Lentz, Al Root, Fr. Tom Stepanski, Tom Swords, and Gene Trapp. We ask that the Lord heal them and restore them to good health.

Prayer Line  
If you know of someone who needs the special healing power of prayer, or to become a part of this ministry, call Fran Strauss at 317-745-5640.

Treasure

Collection for March 5, 2017
This Week’s Regular Collection (138 envelopes)  $7,357.98
This Week’s Gold Envelope Collection (61 envelopes)  $1,970.00
Ash Wednesday Collection  $1,059.96
Subscriptions to The Criterion (13 envelopes)  $308.00
Black & Indian Collection (48 envelopes)  $1,019.00

Budgeted Year-to-Date  $284,940.00
Actually Received  $290,872.60
Variance to Budget  + $5,932.60

Time & Talent  
Thank you to Suzie Delay for making some baptismal bibs for all of those entering into the church.

Congratulations and welcome to the newest members of our parish family.

Aleksander Darl, son of Roman and Shae Kmickiewicz
Easton Joseph, son of Ryan and Emily King

Welcome

The parishioners of St. Mary, Queen of Peace extend a warm welcome to our newest member: Laura Nicodemus

Scholarship Opportunity

As part of our mission to support the parish families, the Knights of Columbus Council 11896 is offering a $1,000 college scholarship for one student at St. Susanna and one student at Mary, Queen of Peace (total two $1,000 scholarships). The scholarships are for graduating high school senior candidates who will be attending a trade school or 2/4 year college in the fall. The qualifications are outlined in applications that are available in the entrance of the church or on the KOC website (http://www.kofc11896.org). The winner for each parish will be announced at a Mass in May. For questions, contact information is available on the application. Application and transcript are due by Saturday, April 8.
“God has found me worthy to be a minister of His Gospel, and so when I speak, I strive to please God and not men.”
1 Thessalonians 2:4

Dear Friends,

We welcome Father Wade Menezes of the Fathers of Mercy to Mary, Queen of Peace! Fr. Wade is with us to offer our annual LENTEN MISSION. Each household should have received a post card with all the information regarding various presentations, times for Confession each day, etc. Fr. Wade appears regularly on EWTN and is very sought after missioner. Welcome, Father Wade!

Lent is a forty-day journey of repentance and conversion. Sometimes we do not know where this journey will take us. It demands of us the same kind of faith exhibited by Abram in today’s first reading.

Abram is called to leave all that is familiar to him to go to a place that the Lord will show him. Today we are called, as throughout our lives, to leave sinful ways; ways that perhaps have become so routine and familiar that we are quite comfortable, to go to a new place the Lord has prepared for us.

The Transfiguration of Jesus gives us just a glimpse of that new place, that place of glory where we are one with the Holy Trinity. Jesus purposefully allowed His chosen ones to have and experience this glimpse in order to strengthen them for their own “Lenten” journey of life. The same holds true for us. It is good for us to see and know what the Lord has in store for us....if we follow in His way and remain steadfast.

Let today’s Mass call us to embark on that journey Jesus calls us to whose ending promises great blessings!

As we continue our Lenten journey, let us continue to pray for one another. Together we walk the way of Jesus. Together we strengthen and encourage one another.

God bless you all!

CRS Rice Bowl

There is still time to pick up your CRS Rice Bowl in the entrance of the church and contribute to help people around the world, and here in our archdiocese.

This week we encounter Evelina in Zambia. She and other mothers in her community are learning new ways to provide nutritious meals for their growing children and their families. How do we ensure that those who are hungry have not only food but true nourishment? Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

At the end there will be judgment, and the Bible speaks about how we will be judged. It says the criterion is what we did for others (Mt. 25:31-46). The rice bowl project is an opportunity to provide food and drink and help to others. Bowls will be collected right after Easter.

2017 First Communion Class

A dozen young parishioners are preparing to receive the sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time at the end of April. You can find their names and photos on a poster in the narthex. Please take a look and familiarize yourself with one (or more) of these young Catholics, then greet and encourage them when you see them! Or you could send a short note of encouragement. Just drop it off with Matthew in the RE office.

Youth Announcements

Middle School March Events: We are going to SkyZone on Sunday, March 19th. We will leave after the 10:30 Mass. Meet in the narthex. We will go to Chicago’s Pizza for lunch and then head over to SkyZone!

Confirmation: We do not have class due to Spring Break on the 19th and 26th! Please remember if you need some hours for Confirmation, Fish Fries are a perfect way to help support!! Confirmation is Tuesday, May 9, at 7:00 downtown at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral. I will be in need of ushers/greeters, Eucharistic ministers, and servers. If you would be interested, please contact Beth Dieckmann.

E-mail: mqpyouthgroupbeth@yahoo.com
Phone number: (317) 709-6765. Texting is the best way of communication, but if you call please leave a voicemail so I can know who is calling! Thank you.

Women’s Club Activities

The March Women’s Club meeting has been moved to Tuesday, March 21, due to the Mission on March 14th. We will draw “Secret Sisters” names for 2017 at the meeting March 21st.

The Women’s Club will be selling baskets the weekend of April 1st after the Masses. Buy your baskets for Easter, Mother’s Day, 4th of July, etc.

Look for your Spring Women’s Club raffle tickets mid-March. We have several exciting items this spring including a beautiful quilt.

Women’s Club Rummage Sale

It’s time to clear out your drawers, closets, cupboards, basement and garage for our Spring Rummage Sale on April 27th & 28th.
There are many demands on our time which can make it difficult to attend to your child(ren)'s faith formation. What about a few minutes at dinner time? Feeding Your Family's Souls is a new book which has 52 weekly fun and creative faith discussions to fulfill the Catholic Church's vision for evangelization in the family. Recipes are included also! EWTN television host Donna-Marie Cooper O'Boyle is the author. These useful and inspiring books will be on sale for only $25 after the Masses, and during Religious Education class time, or call Matthew in the office. Payments can be left in the box on the table in the narthex, in an envelope in the collection plate, or with Matthew in the RE building.

Travel with us to St. John, IN to meditate and pray at The Shrine of Christ's Passion, Saturday, March 25. We will leave at 8:00 a.m., and return about 5:00 p.m. This half-mile series of dioramas of Christ's final days is very similar to the Stations of the Cross; fitting for Lent. Contact Matthew in the office to get more information, or to arrange carpools. Entrance is free, and they accept any free-will offering. There is a gift shop; bring money for lunch afterward, or your own bagged lunch.

Retreats are rejuvenating and inspiring, and draw us close to God. Here are some local retreats available in March: At Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House (Indy): And "Ignatian Spirituality Project", 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 13. Find more information at: www.archindy.org/fatima.

One is held at the Benedict Inn and Retreat Center (Beech Grove): "Spend A Day With God; Personal Retreat Day", Tuesday, March 14, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.; $35 for room, lunch, and program. Spiritual direction (optional) is available for $30. More information is available at: www.benedictinn.org

At A Glance Parish Calendar

Sunday, March 12
9:00 a.m. Religious Education Classes
9:00 a.m. Confirmation Class "Do I have what it takes?"
9:00 a.m. Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus
7:00 p.m. Mission

Monday, March 13
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Wednesday, March 15

Thursday, March 16

Friday, March 17
4:00 p.m. Fish Fry Sponsored by the Youth
6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 18

Liturgical Meditations

Monday, March 13, 2017
Daniel 9:4b-10/Psalms 79:8-9, 11, 13/Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 14, 2017
Isaiah 1:10, 16-20/Psalms 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/ Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 15, 2017
Jeremiah 18:18-20/Psalms 31:5-6, 14-16/ Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday, March 16, 2017
Jeremiah 17:5-10/Psalms 1:1-4, 6/Luke 16:19-31

Friday, March 17, 2017
Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Psalms 105:16-21/ Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 18, 2017

Sunday, March 19, 2017
Exodus 17:3-7/Psalms 95:1-2, 6-9/Romans 5:1-2, 5-8/ John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Weekend of March 18 & 19

COORDINATORS
5:00 p.m. Judy Schneider
8:00 a.m. Jeannie Thurnall
10:30 a.m. Ann Mooney

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY
5:00 p.m. Alex Earl, Tonya Earl
8:00 a.m. Michael Corbitt, Debbie Green
10:30 a.m. Joan Kimbley, Emily Morris

READERS
5:00 p.m. Stephanie Hensley, Nick Schmutte
8:00 a.m. Logan Walliser, Greg Purvis
10:30 a.m. Carra Origer, Peg Glover

SERVERS
5:00 p.m. Andrew Earl, Amy Earl
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