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.
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.

Collection for March 12, 2017
This Week's Regular Collection (137 envelopes) $7,195.63
This Week's Gold Envelope Collection (15 envelopes) $655.00
Catholic Relief Services (1 envelope) $20.00
Subscriptions to The Criterion (6 envelopes) $130.00
Black & Indian Collection (5 envelopes) $155.00
Central & Eastern Europe Collection (45 envelopes) $1,216.00

Budgeted Year-to-Date $292,855.00
Actually Received $298,068.23
Variance to Budget $5,213.23

From the Archdiocesan Mission Office
Thank you for your generous contributions last week to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe! As a parish, we collected $1,216 to help restore the Church and build the future in over 20 countries. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give, visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the “How to Give” link on the left.

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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Schedule
St. Malachy
Saturday, 8:45 – 10:00 a.m.
Or anytime by appointment

St. Susanna
Saturday, 4:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Or anytime by appointment

Mary, Queen of Peace
Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Or anytime by appointment

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Every Friday 6:00 p.m.

During the solemn season of Lent there will be no flowers placed before the statues of Mary, the Sacred Heart or St. Joseph. The flowers will return at Easter. Your contribution for flowers to remember or honor someone will be accepted, and used after Easter.

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“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,

I begin today by thanking ALL of you who helped in any way with our very successful Parish Mission this past week! Fr. Wade did an excellent job in leading our mission and the number of folks attending was wonderful! I pray everyone gained from this beautiful opportunity of grace during our Lenten Season.

Today we hear the first of three Gospel stories of conversion that will unfold in the next three weeks of Lent. They are proclaimed to help the Elect; those chosen and preparing for reception into the Church at the Easter Vigil, to complete their conversion to Christ Jesus and His Church. However, they are also meant for each of one us “old Catholics” as well!

As they travel to Baptism and reception, we walk with them as witnesses to all the Lord has done for us on our own road to conversion. We walk to that same font where, at Easter, we will renew our baptismal promises, recalling the day we were joined to Christ and His Church. He is the living water that springs up to provide eternal life!

As you leave Mass today, reflect on the Gospel story. Imagine yourself sitting at the well with the Lord Jesus. What questions would He ask you? What are the sinful traps into which you have fallen and from which you want to be freed? That’s what Lent is all about for each one of us!

As we continue our Lenten journey, remember, Daily Mass and the Stations of the Cross are excellent means of making this a prayerful Lent for YOU! Our Stations attendance has been very impressive. Of course, there is the Youth Fish Fry going on also, so a great way to take care of both body and soul!

Have a prayer-full week, everyone!

CRS Rice Bowl

Our next encounter is with Fernando in El Salvador where, despite a lack of economic opportunity, youth are pursuing their dreams of building businesses to better the lives of their families. How have you worked to better the lives of others during Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

Rum package is available in the church entrance.

Youth Announcements

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.

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.

Fish fries at Mary, Queen of Peace on Friday continue throughout the season of Lent!! They are from 4:30 - 7:00. If you are willing to donate your time or a dessert, please contact Beth Dieckmann at (317) 709 - 6765.

Rummage Sale

It’s time to clear out your drawers, closets, cupboards, basement and garage for our Spring Rummage Sale on April 27th & 28th.

Women’s Club Activities

On Saturday, April 1, the Women’s Club will be selling baskets (like the ones during the Christmas Bazaar) from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the Education Building. Leftovers will be sold after the Masses that weekend. Look for great gifts for Mother’s Day, Easter, Father’s Day and many more.

Raffle tickets should have arrived in your mail this week. Please bring your tickets back by Saturday, April 1. There are some exciting new prizes.

The Women’s Club meeting will be on Tuesday, March 21, in the basement at 6:30 for social time and 7 p.m. for the meeting. All are welcome. We will be drawing for Secret Sisters at this time. Reach out to Jan Adams if you are still interested in participating.
Visit the Shrine of Christ’s Passion

“Last year, right after Easter, my husband (Baptist) and two of our teen granddaughters took a road trip to the Shrine of Christ’s Passion. I think I was the only one who WANTED to go - everyone else was just along for the ride to humor me and keep me from reminding them that I wanted to go.

We spent two hours on a self-guided tour of the Stations of the Cross and thoroughly enjoyed every minute of it. The combination of the life-sized figures and the recorded voices really puts you "in the moment". From the very first moment (as a participant in the Last Supper) to the very end we felt ourselves to be part of the story and found ourselves discussing what was happening, who the participants were, why they were involved and their motivation, etc.

It was a wonderful experience for all four of us and we have spoken about it many times since. We’re planning to make another trip this year to see the new interactive Mt. Sinai with Moses receiving the Ten Commandments. And the gift shop is amazing!”

We’ll be travelling to the Shrine in St. John, IN on March 25th, leaving at 8 a.m., and planning to return by 5 p.m.; lunch on the road. Call Matthew to arrange or offer a carpool. Entrance is by free will offering.

Guide your children’s faith over dinner with the book Feeding Your Family’s Souls from EWTN television host Donna Marie O’Boyle. Only $25 and available in the narthex or the RE building.

There are no Religious Education classes this week or next for spring break. They will resume again on April 2nd. Be safe and have fun - remember Lent and God’s love during the vacation!

The Level 7 religious education class will be re-creating the Stations of the Cross at 9:15 a.m. on April 2nd. The entire parish is invited to join our students in this devotional prayer, on the east end of the parking lot.

Liturgical Meditations

Monday, March 20, 2017
2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Psalms 89:2-5, 27, 29/
Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22/Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a
or Luke 2:41-51a

Tuesday, March 21, 2017
Daniel 3:25, 34-43/Psalms 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9/
Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 22, 2017
Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9/Psalms 147:12-13, 15-16,
19-20/Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday, March 23, 2017

Friday, March 24, 2017
Hosea 14:2-10/Psalms 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17/
Mark 12:28-34

Saturday, March 25, 2017
Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10/Psalms 40:3-4, 18-21ab/
Hebrews 10:4-10/Luke 1:26-38

Sunday, March 26, 2017
1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Psalms 23:1-6/
Ephesians 5:8-14/John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17,
34-38

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Weekend of March 25 & 26

COORDINATORS
5:00 p.m. Kathy Stamper
8:00 a.m. Charlotte Pell
10:30 a.m. Mary Kay Hood

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY
5:00 p.m. Korey Berg, Bob Mathis
Jim Schweizer, Tom Swords
8:00 a.m. Debbie Green, Dick Harvey
Jayce Peak, Dave Peak
10:30 a.m. Ron Beaman, Matthew Bratt
Adam Bratt, Justin Snider

READERS
5:00 p.m. D.J. DesJarlais, Miriam Orelup
8:00 a.m. Greg Purvis, Brandi Morris
10:30 a.m. Anna Marie Fallon, Pat Mooney

SERVERS
5:00 p.m. Nathaniel Origer, Noah Origer
8:00 a.m. Olivia Pell, Leslie Pell
10:30 a.m. Abram Fallon, Nina Fallon

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
5:00 p.m. Margie Williams
8:00 a.m. Nick Pell
10:30 a.m. Matthew Fallon, Ann Mooney
Rebecca Spratt

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