NWV Family of Parishes









– Strong Families, Strong Parishes – Strong Parishes, Strong Families –

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Father Andrew Reckers

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St. Louis – 419-582-2531
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St. Mary – 937-548-1616
233 W. 3rd Street, Greenville, Ohio

St. Nicholas – 419-582-2531
128 Church Street, Osgood, Ohio

St. Remy – 937-526-3437
108 E. Main Street, Russia, Ohio

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, October 25, 2026



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NORTHWEST-V FAMILY OF PARISHES MISSION: Join us November 15-18 at St. Denis Catholic Church in Versailles for a Parish Mission featuring Jesse Romero, retired Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy, Catholic author, evangelist, and speaker. Through his mission, **The 5 R's: Repentance, Reparation, Reverence, Renewal, and Restoration,** Jesse will offer practical ways to face the spiritual battles of modern culture, renew your prayer life, and restore your family's focus on Christ. Sessions include a men's night on Sunday, November 15, for men ages 18 and older, adult parishioner sessions on Monday and Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m., and a special high school youth night on Wednesday, November 18, at 7:30 p.m. All sessions will be held in the church and undercroft. Men attending Sunday's event are asked to RSVP by scanning the QR code above. Come deepen your faith, strengthen your family, and learn to live boldly in Christ! For more information, visit our website nwv.church/parish-updates-events-1.



CASSIE SUBLER APRN-CNP will be offering a FEMM NFP Class series on November 5, December 3, and January 7 from 6:30-8:15 p.m. in the St. Denis Undercroft. During this three-part class series, she will discuss the female cycle as a vital sign of women's health, and participants will learn how women and couples can cooperate with God's design for their bodies to achieve their health and family planning goals. Contact Cassie at womb.by.cassie@gmail.com for registration details.

JESSIE ROMERO LEADERSHIP TEAM: Anyone who would like to assist in the leadership of the Jessie Romero Mission should email Deacon Mike at mikem@bfvcatholic.org, or text or call at 937-638-0969. The leadership team will provide decision-making feedback, help with advertising, and hospitality.

CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP: We have seven spots booked this year for the Catholic Heart Work Camp. We will be going the week of June 20-26, 2027. You can reserve one or more of these spots by emailing Deacon Mike at mikem@bfvcatholic.org or by phone, text or call 937-638-0969.

GREENVILLE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 1796 Fish Fry November 20, 2026 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the K of C Hall in Greenville. Dinners will be fish, fries, green beans and applesauce for $12.00 as carry-out or EAT-IN. Buffet dinner will be $15.00 for those who desire. Hope to see you then.



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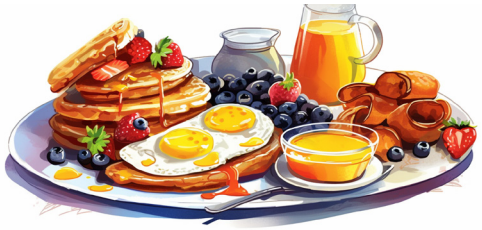
FATHER BARRY STECHSCHULTE IS LEADING A PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE in June of 2027. This trip will include encounters with the Saints throughout France and many beautiful churches on an 11-day bus trip. You will see the newly renovated Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris, the Eiffel Tower, Normandy Beach, and the Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette. We'll meet great saints like St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Bernadette, and St. John Vianney. And we'll have a lot of fun, drinking some wine and enjoying French cuisine. Most of all, with daily Mass and Rosary, we'll have a deep spiritual experience that will make a lasting memory. Please contact Father Barry at fatherbarry10964@gmail.com or 419-678-4802, ext.105, if you are interested in going to France next June.

THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 435 WILL BE HOSTING A BREAKFAST on Sunday, November 8 from 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at their Hall at 106 S. Center Street in Versailles. The menu includes sausage, ham, eggs, pancakes, French toast, fruit cocktail, coffee, juice, and milk. The price is $10.00 for adults and $5.00 for kids under 10 years old. All are welcome!



– NWV Family of Parishes Directory –

St. Denis / Holy Family / Immaculate Conception
Phone: 937-526-4945
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Tuesday – Closed
Friday – 8:00 a.m.-Noon

St. Mary
Phone: 937-548-1616
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

St. Louis & St. Nicholas
Phone: 419-582-2531
Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-Noon

St. Remy
Phone: 937-526-3437
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

For a complete list of our staff, please consult our family of parishes website: nwv.church

PARISH MINISTRIES

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK:
Medical emergency numbers are

St. Denis/Holy Family/Immaculate Conception, 937-709-4146

St. Louis/St. Nicholas, 937-709-4147

St. Mary, 937-709-4145

St. Remy, 937-526-3437, ext. 9

Call parish office for homebound request.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: We offer opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration. Please see the Activities of the Week section for Adoration times.

Youth

YOUTH and YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES: The parish conducts weekly events and gatherings for Junior High students and High School teens. The parish also provides Confirmation preparation each year.

Young Adult

BAPTISMS: Baptism and instruction are offered at each parish. To make arrangements, please call the Parish Office. Classes must be attended prior to the Baptism of first child, preferably before the child is born.

MARRIAGES: Couples should contact the Parish Office at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding.

PRAYER INTENTIONS: If you would like to pray our intentions along with your fellow parishioners, or submit a request, please contact the Parish Office.

For more information on ministries, visit our family of parishes website.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: *If you would like to submit items to the bulletin, please submit them 10 days prior to the bulletin in which they will appear. All bulletin submissions should be submitted to communications@bfvcatholic.org.*

– A Message from Father James Reutter –

LIVING LIFE TO THE FULL: THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

As we head into the month of November, when the leaves begin to fall and we see the gradual transition from fall to winter, with all its attendant cold and gray days, those of us who are privileged to live in the beautiful variety of a four-season climate tend to let our thoughts reflect what nature around us asserts: that life is fleeting and short and that we should contemplate our own death.

The monks of old frequently contemplated the Latin motto *memento mori* ("Remember that you will die"), and Christian art often represented this reality iconographically with skulls, hourglasses, or fading flowers.

Our modern sensibility, which tends to deny death and ignore it as much as possible, wants to call this a morbid way of life, criticizing it as a failure to "live life to the full." Perhaps this is best illustrated by the popularity of the plaques so frequently found in our homes, urging us to "Live! Love! Laugh!"

There is nothing wrong with having a joyful demeanor – the person striving to become a Christian saint is marked by inner peace and joy. But it is not a shallow joy or a simplistic "Don't worry! Be happy!" attitude.

It is a joy mingled with the suffering of Christ in His Passion and death on the Cross: a realization that deep and abiding joy comes only from longing for heavenly communion with the Holy Trinity and preparing for that goal beginning in this earthly life, often at the cost of sharing in the suffering of the Cross.

Although it was written long before the coming of Jesus Christ at Bethlehem, one of the books of the Old Testament sums up this wisdom well: the Book of Ecclesiastes (sometimes called Qoheleth). There, the author contemplates how hard man works and labors in life and how useless it can all seem until he realizes that "God has planted the sense of eternity into man's heart so that he cannot find out, from beginning to end, the work which God has done" (Ecclesiastes 3:11).

In other words, without our relationship with God, we will become frustrated or bitter at how fleeting our lives seem. I would add that this is especially true of the aging process, when we are tempted to rail against the decline of our minds and bodies in a culture that glorifies youth and beauty. As Christians, we should accept aging serenely, as a sign that we are inching closer to the only true fulfillment of our longings as we approach the end of our earthly lives.

This is not a passive process, but an active one. I know many people who are caught off guard in retirement, wondering what to do with their newfound free time. Many turn to distractions such as endless travel, but far fewer choose to increase their time in prayer and works of mercy. (Even in ill health, we can always increase our prayer time.) The "catch" is that if we don't learn to pray and examine our consciences during the busy times of our lives, when we are younger – since we will always have the excuse that we are "too busy" – we won't be capable of doing so when we are older. Finally, I recommend a good book for all ages on preparing for our final judgment: Ralph Martin's *The Coming Judgment: Are We Ready?*

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PRAYING FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED: During November, the Church especially encourages us to pray for the souls of the faithful departed. From November 1-8, the faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence for a soul in Purgatory by devoutly visiting a cemetery and praying for the departed. To receive the indulgence, one must also receive Holy Communion, go to sacramental Confession, pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, and be detached from all sin, including venial sin. Confession may be made within several days before or after the indulgenced act, while Holy Communion and prayer for the Holy Father's intentions are required each time. Even a brief visit to a cemetery and a prayer such as the Eternal Rest can be a meaningful way to show our love for those who have died and to remember our communion with them in Christ.

ST. ANN SODALITY ANNUAL WARMTH COLLECTION & CASSEROLES: St. Ann Sodality will be holding its Annual Warmth Collection and Casserole Benefit for St. Vincent de Paul from October 31 through November 14. We are collecting blankets, coats, hats, gloves, and other warm items. Donations may be new or gently used but must be clean and in good condition. Please place donations in the collection boxes located at the back of St. Denis Church or Holy Family Church. Your generosity will help provide warmth and comfort to those in need. We will also be collecting frozen casseroles to help provide meals for those in need. Pans and lids, along with recipes and a sign-up sheet, will be available at the back of St. Denis Church and Holy Family Church. You may also use your own recipe. Please do not bake the casseroles; they must be frozen before delivery. Frozen casseroles should be brought to the Holy Family Church parking lot on Saturday, November 14, between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Lori Bergman at 937-733-8233. Thank you for your continued kindness and support of this important ministry!

– Saint Denis, Holy Family, Immaculate Conception –

Mass, Confession and Adoration Schedule for the Week of October 25, 2026

Saturday, October 24
9:30 a.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 10:30 a.m.)
3:30 p.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
4:30 p.m. Mass (SD) Elmer & Evelyn Bey & Family

Sunday, October 25
9:00 a.m. Mass (SD) Joe Schmitmeyer
10:15 a.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 10:45 a.m.)
11:00 a.m. Mass (SD) Dave Buxton
3:30 p.m. (HF) Confessions (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
4:30 p.m. Mass (HF) Web & Kelly Bruns

Monday, October 26
11:30 a.m. Mass (SD) Doris Monnin
12:15 p.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 1:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, October 27
8:15 a.m. Mass (HF) Urban Gehret

Wednesday, October 28
8:15 a.m. Mass (SD) Mark Kremer
7:00 p.m. (HF) Rosary

Thursday, October 29
8:15 a.m. Mass (SD) Kay Poeppelman, Mary Ann Timmerman, Barbara Monnin and Marcella Mescher
9:00 a.m. (SD) Exposition
9:00 a.m. (SD) Adoration (ending at 6:15 p.m.)
5:15 p.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 6:15 p.m.)
6:20 p.m. (SD) Benediction

Friday, October 30
7:10 a.m. Mass (SD) Living & Deceased Members of Luke & Betty Jutte Family

Saturday, October 31
9:30 a.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 10:30 a.m.)
3:30 p.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
4:30 p.m. Mass (SD) Jonathan Gehret

Sunday, November 1 – All Saints Day
9:00 a.m. Mass (SD) Wesley Breeze
10:15 a.m. (SD) Confessions (ending at 10:45 a.m.)
11:00 a.m. Mass (SD) Jerry Bensman, Violet Bensman, & Julie Springmyer
3:30 p.m. (HF) Confessions (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
4:30 p.m. Mass (HF) Bill Pohlman

BREAKFAST WITH THE LORD: The next Breakfast with the Lord will be Friday, November 6, beginning with Mass at 6:30 a.m. followed by breakfast in the St. Denis Undercroft.

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ST. ANNE LADIES SODALITY MEETING: Join us for our next St. Anne Ladies Sodality meeting on Tuesday, October 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the Frenchtown Hall! Come for the fellowship, stay for the friendship – we'd love to see familiar faces and welcome new members who are interested in faith, service, and community. Whether you're curious, new, or ready to get involved, there's a place for you – come join us!

SAVE THE DATE: St. Denis Women's Welcome Retreat February 6th & 7th, 2027.

SCAM ALERT: Beware of fraudulent text messages impersonating Fr. Ned, Fr. Reutter, or Fr. Matt and asking for money, gift cards, or favors. These messages are scams! Our clergy will never request money or gift cards by text. Do not reply; block the number and delete the message. Thank you for helping protect our parish community!



– Ministry Schedule –

Available for viewing on our website nwv.church or scan the QR code

– Saint Louis & Saint Nicholas –

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Monday, October 26
No Mass

Tuesday, October 27
4:45 p.m. Confessions (SL) (ending at 5:45 p.m.)
6:15 p.m. Mass (SL) Louis Grieshop & Bill Langenkamp

Wednesday, October 28
8:15 a.m. Mass (SN) Patricia Francis, Patricia Holthaus & Irene Jones
4:15 p.m. Confessions (SN) (ending at 4:45 p.m.)

Thursday, October 29
8:15 a.m. Mass (SL) Richard Lauber
5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (SN) (ending at 9:00 p.m.)
7:30 p.m. Confessions (SN) (ending at 8:30 p.m.)
8:45 p.m. Benediction (SN)

Friday, October 30
11:30 a.m. Mass (SN) Louis Grieshop & Mike Kemper

Saturday, October 31
3:00 p.m. Confessions (SL) (ending at 3:45 p.m.)
4:00 p.m. Mass (SL) Bob Ehlers, Marie & Ado Langenkamp & Deb Langenkamp Richie

Sunday, November 1 – All Saints Day
7:30 p.m. Confessions (SN) (ending at 8:15 a.m.)
8:30 a.m. Mass (SN) Maurice & Olivia Bohman Family, Urban & Lucille Dwenger, Leo & Margie Wenning
10:30 a.m. Mass (SL) Renee Bergman, Melena Hurst & Luther Strobel
1:00 p.m. All Souls Service (SL)
7:00 p.m. **No Solemn Vespers (SL)**

Weekday Masses and the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass will be ad orientem (a.o.), Sunday Vigil and the 8:30 a.m. Sunday Masses will be versus populum (v.p.).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE TRAVELING VOCATIONS CHALICE. To sign up, go to www.nwv.church. Click on Parishes, click on your parish name, click on Schedules then click on "Vocations Chalice Registration." Receiving the chalice to display in their homes the week of October 25-November 8: Rob & Betsy Grillot and Steve & Tonia Kramer.

REMINDER to those going off Parish Pastoral Council and Sodalities: Please get names for your replacement to the parish office for the ballots by November 13.

NO SOLEMN VESPERS ON NOVEMBER 1. Due to the Feather Party at St. Louis on Sunday, November 1, there will NOT be Solemn Vespers this evening.

– Events/News –

ALL SOULS SERVICE will be held on Sunday, November 1 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Louis Church. Everyone is invited to attend and pray for those from our parishes who passed away this past year and also to pray for their families.

INTERESTED IN BEING AN USHER at St. Nicholas Parish during 2027? There is a sign-up sheet at the main entrance of the church. Please sign up by November 10 if you can help with this ministry. If you are an usher during 2026 and wish to continue, please sign up again. Thank you.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES FOR 2027 are available in the Gathering Room at St. Louis. St. Nicholas contribution envelopes are available in the basement of the church. Please pick up at your earliest convenience.

NEW SAFEPARISH BULLETIN DUE OCTOBER 30: If you are required to complete it, please sign in to AoCSafeEnvironment.org, where you will find it posted under Training Due.

ST. LOUIS FEATHER PARTY (ALL ARE WELCOME): Join us for the St. Louis Feather Party on Sunday, November 1, in the St. Louis Church basement! Supper will be served starting at 4:00 p.m., with Bingo kicking off at 5:00 p.m. **We ask all St. Louis Parish members to bring one baked good per family to share** – please drop them off in the church basement by 4:00 p.m. Proceeds from Bingo will support the St. Louis Holy Name Society and the St. Anne Sodality, who will also be hosting their raffle that evening. We hope to see you there for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship!

ST. LOUIS CHURCH BASEMENT RENTAL: If you would like to rent the church basement or use it for a church meeting or event, don't hesitate to get in touch with Joyce Hemmelgarn. Due to the advance deadlines for the bulletin, not all basement events and meetings may be listed. Please be sure to add your event to the calendar in advance so there is adequate time to clean and prepare the space.

In Memoriam:

Bill Wilker
a member of St. Louis Parish
Mass of Christian Burial was held
on Tuesday, October 20, 2026

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord

– Ministry Schedule –

Schedule available on our website at nwv.church or scan the QR code

ST. LOUIS

ST. NICHOLAS

– Saint Mary –

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Saturday, October 24
1:00 p.m. Monnin / Rogers Wedding
3:30 p.m. Confessions
4:30 p.m. Mass – Don Rieman

Sunday, October 25
8:00-8:15 a.m. Confessions
8:30 a.m. Mass – Living & Deceased Members of the Hartnagle Family
9:45 a.m. Confessions (ending at 10:15 a.m.)
10:30 a.m. Mass – Living & Deceased Members of the Dean Family

Monday, October 26
5:30 p.m. Mass – Jerry & Naomi Phlipot

Tuesday, October 27
Office Closed – No Mass

Wednesday, October 28
8:00 a.m. Mass – Lawrence Simons
8:30 a.m. Exposition/Adoration
5:45 p.m. Confessions
6:00 p.m. Religious Education
6:15 p.m. Benediction

Thursday, October 29
11:30 a.m. Mass – Mary McEldowney
12:00 p.m. Fatima Rosary

Friday, October 30
8:00 a.m. Mass – Jane McFarland

Saturday, October 31
10:00 a.m. Baptism
3:30 p.m. Confessions
4:30 p.m. Mass – Naomi & Jerry Phlipot

Sunday, November 1 – All Saints Day
8:00-8:15 a.m. Confessions
8:30 a.m. Mass – The People of Northwest-V Family of Parishes
9:45 a.m. Confessions (ending at 10:15 a.m.)
10:30 a.m. Mass – Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish

**Ad Orientem Masses are Fridays and Sundays*

TRAVELING VOCATIONS CHALICE: Pray for vocations in our family of parishes by signing up to take the chalice case home for two weeks. Visit www.nwv.church, click on St. Mary's Parish, then scroll down to the Vocations Chalice button and click on it. Then, enter your name and phone number for the two-week period that you'd like to have it.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Monthly Baptism Preparation Class: This is for new parents who have not previously had any children baptized. Facilitators are Steven and Chelsea Jones. Please call the office at 937-548-1616 to schedule your class.

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ADORATION: Consider committing to an hour of Adoration with Jesus each Wednesday after Mass, from 8:00 a.m. until 6:45 p.m. We need at least two people each hour. If you can help, please call the office at 937-548-1616 and speak with Barb. It is suggested that Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion take an hour each week.

THE GATHERING: Join us on the 2nd Sunday of each month for lunch and a gathering after Mass. Bring a dish to share and a drink. Bring food to the school basement before 9:45 a.m. and plug in, if needed. Gathering people together for good food and good conversations. October's theme: tailgating foods.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Randy Bey, Mike & Anne Schleich, Brian L. Hunt, Janice Knapke, Nova Vazquez, Rick Macias, Angie Ayette, Jim Grilliot, Mary Ann Simon, Jamey Simon, Rick Evans, Gloria Evans, Brenda Smith, Nicole Asher, Richard Winemiller, Regina Schieltz, Alicia Crandall, Melissa Dunker, Traci Smith, Brenda McCoy, Ray Beyke, Steve Brandt, Lester McCullough, Diana Knick, Lena Stammen, Elijah Moore, Tyler Roberts, Craig Beck, Nanette Keiser, Brenda Sloane, Ken Pence, Ed Trittschuh, Stephanie Ward, Marie Tegtmeier, Tom Gibbons, Steve Warren, Linda Stachler, Tom & Rita McEldowney. Please call the office to add or remove a loved one's name.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DRIVE ANNOUNCEMENT: We will begin our community Christmas drive for the needy of the county the Friday after Thanksgiving. We will be collecting at the south door of Walmart. We may be able to move inside if we have inclement weather. There is a chart in the vestibule for signing up. Please add your telephone number so that we can remind you of your time.

ALL SOULS MASS will be Monday, November 2 at 5:30 p.m. at St. Mary Church. Everyone is invited to come and pray for those parishioners who have passed in the last twelve months as well as for their families. Our faithfully departed ones include:

Debbie Schaefer-Lusczek
David Alan Hamlin
Erlinda Hoschouer
Robert L. Henry
Darlene J. Grubb
Dianna K. Manning
Jean Wellman
Nancy Rivetti
James Bernard Koontz, Jr.
Donald Hoschouer
Sue B. (Colahan) Bauer
Robert "Bob" Epperly
Marcella Ann Klosterman
James "Jim" Robert Dumas
Rosie Adams
Bernie Phlipot
Maria "Toni" Brock
Mary Lou Lewis
Greg Kimmel

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– Saint Mary –

PRAY TWICE AT ST. MARY CHURCH: Be a voice in the group who will lead one weekend Mass a month and Holy Days. Everyone Grade 9 and up are invited. Masses for the rest of 2026 are as follows:

- Saturday, November 7 at 4:30 p.m. (rehearsal Tuesday, November 3 at 5:30 p.m.)
- Sunday, December 6 at 8:30 a.m. (rehearsal Tuesday, December 1 at 5:30 p.m.)
- Tuesday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m. (rehearsal Monday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m.)
- Thursday, December 24 at 10:00 p.m. (rehearsals TBD).

Contact Sharon at 937-414-0025 for more information.

REGULAR AND ONLINE GIVING: The online giving link is http://giving.parishsoft.com/stmary. This is a convenient way to donate to the parish. You can establish a user account for one-time or scheduled giving.

If you do not already have an assigned envelope number and would like envelopes, please call the office. There are extra boxes of envelopes in the church office. You can still put donations right into the collection basket, mail them in or use the BillPay function at your local bank. Thank you for being so supportive of St. Mary's Church.

– Saint Mary School –

GREETINGS! St. Mary's School started off the new year with prayer outside the building with students, staff, and several parents. It's always the best way to start the year, isn't it? We have a new group this year – The St. Mary's PTO! They have already planned and carried out their first event! It was a FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT! Several students and their families were there to watch "Toy Story 5" and get to know each other. It was a perfect night for an outdoor movie, and everyone had a good time! Thank you to the PTO for planning this event! I'm sure there are more events to come! There are five new staff members here this year – Mrs. Shelby Miller, Preschool – Mrs. Samantha Manning, 1st Grade – Mrs. Taylor Muhlenkamp, 2nd Grade – Miss Payton Henry, 4th Grade and Mr. Chris Nobbe, 5th-8th Grade Language Arts and Social Studies. They are all a great fit to our team, and we welcome them with open arms! Some of the younger students have already had field trips to the fire department! There was also a bus safety lesson for the little ones as well, Last Thursday was the homecoming parade. The theme was "Double Dare." We had a float with over sixty students who signed up to participate! That's the most we've had! They had a great time, and the float looked AWESOME! Thanks to the parents that put it together!

CRAZY 8 DRAWING IS BACK! Yes, it's that time of year again! The first drawing will be held at the end of October! You DO NOT need to be present to win! Tickets are just $25.00 and are entered in EVERY SINGLE MONTH through May. Even if your ticket has been drawn, it goes back in for the next one! Now that's crazy!!! Contact the school office for tickets or questions at 548-2345!

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS! Christmas is right around the corner! Less than 80 days away! Why not make your shopping EASY this year? Our SCRIP program is super easy! Just follow the instructions below. Then kick back and enjoy the season!

A GREAT BIG THANK-YOU to all who supported the first annual St. Mary's Golf Outing!!! It was great fun and a huge success!

GIVING BACK! Did you know that you could also give back to the school (at NO COST to you!) by linking your KROGER card? Just follow the steps below and then each time you shop at Kroger, a portion of what you spend goes to the school! Go to Kroger's account online.

1. Select "My Account,"
2. Select "Community Rewards," search for "StMary's Parish-School" or #TT245,
3. Select "ENROLL." THANK YOU!

SCRIP PROGRAM! Here's how you can get started supporting St. Mary's School with RaiseRight (SCRIP program) today:

1. Use the QR code to join St. Mary's Catholic School program. Or visit RaiseRight.com/Enroll and enter 534D73C68972 to join.
2. Create your secure RaiseRight account in just a few steps.
3. Buy gift cards or shop online at hundreds of brands offering earnings. Many physical gift cards are reloadable, so you can instantly add more money in your RaiseRight Wallet to keep using them.
4. Dine at local restaurants and earn 5% back when you use a linked credit or debit card as payment. With 20,000 participating locations nationwide, you can earn while dining near home and traveling!
5. Download the RaiseRight mobile app (available for iOS and Android devices) so you can buy gift cards instantly from your phone. Your eGift card purchases are available in your RaiseRight Wallet and can be scanned from your phone during checkout while shopping.

Search for your favorite brands or browse the categories. Contact Amy Hadden at ahadden@smsgvl.com or call 937-548-2345 if you have any questions along the way! Thank you for your support!!

– Saint Remy –

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Saturday, October 24
3:30 p.m. Confession (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
4:30 p.m. Vern (Birthday) & Madge Westerheide

Sunday, October 25
8:00 a.m. Confession (ending at 8:45 a.m.)
9:00 a.m. Jodie Peyton (Birthday)
11:00 a.m. Frank B. & Rosa Grieshop, Frank C., Stan, & Jason Grieshop

Wednesday, October 28
11:15 a.m. Tom Gariety

Thursday, October 29
8:15 a.m. Vocations/Richard Platfoot
9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration
3:00 p.m. Confession (ending at 4:00 p.m.)
3:10 p.m. Children's Eucharistic Adoration (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
7:00 p.m. Confession (ending at 8:20 p.m.)
8:30 p.m. Benediction

Friday, October 30
8:15 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Urban & Elfrieda Borchers Family (Anniversary)

Saturday, October 31
3:30 p.m. Confession (ending at 4:15 p.m.)
4:30 p.m. Deb Wehner

Sunday, November 1 – All Saints Day
8:00 a.m. Confession (ending at 8:45 a.m.)
9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Charles & Emma Monnin Family
11:00 a.m. Norbert & Daniel Lachat

RECEIVING THE TRAVELING VOCATIONS CHALICE in their home from October 18 – November 1 is the Scott and Melissa Armstrong family. If you wish to sign up to have the chalice and vocations activities in your home, visit our website at nwv.church; click on "Parishes" on the left sidebar, followed by "St. Remy," "Schedules," and "St. Remy Vocations Chalice Registration." You may also contact Carla at the parish office.

Congratulations

Jude Counts and Anna Meyer

who entered into the sacrament of holy matrimony on

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– Events/News –

ALL SAINTS DAY (NOVEMBER 1) AND ALL SOULS' DAY (NOVEMBER 2) ARE COMING UP SOON! All Saints Day honors not only canonized saints (those holy men and women that the Church has recognized), but ALL holy men and women who are united to God in Heaven. This could be your holy grandma, who, having been purified of her sins in Purgatory, now lives in union with Christ forever. It could also include a holy homeless person who died on the streets and was buried in an unknown grave. Pope John Paul II told us in his Angelus message in 2002: Today the Church, as the liturgy states, has "the joy of celebrating in one feast the merits and the glory of all the Saints." This includes all the men and women whose holiness, hidden in this world, is only known to God. All Saints Day is a reminder that everyone is called to holiness, no matter our situation. We are all created and called to become saints! If we want to be welcomed into the gates of Heaven someday, we need to devote ourselves to sanctifying our lives and following God's will NOW. A great way to grow in holiness is to pray to the saints, asking them to intercede for us before the throne of God. We might especially like to pray to a saint whose name we share or whose life story particularly inspires us. Of course, we always want to lean on our parish patron, St. Remy. We wish to go where the saints are, so we ask them to pray for us to have the grace to follow their example. **This year, November 1 falls on a Sunday, so all the weekend Masses will celebrate this important day.**

On All Souls' Day, we gather to offer up the Holy Mass for our deceased relatives, friends, fellow parishioners, and all the departed who have no one to pray for them. We pray for the purification of their souls in Purgatory so that they may enjoy the complete peace and joy of Heaven. **This year, All Souls' Day falls on a Monday, and we will have Masses offered at St. Remy at 7:00 a.m. in the cemetery (weather permitting) and at 7:00 p.m. in church.** (The morning Mass will be moved inside if weather is not favorable to be outside.) Following the 7:00 evening Mass, we will have an All Souls' Day Remembrance Service. At this service, we will remember and pray the Rosary for parishioners' souls who have passed from November 2, 2025 through November 2, 2026. All are welcome to participate. This year, we will be remembering the following parishioners in a special way:

Rita Monnin	*Ryan Jourdan*	*Frank Grieshop*
Jodie Peyton	*Martha Simon*	*Chandra Goubeaux*
William Francis	*Norbert Lachat*	*David York*
Mary Freisthler	*Judy Monnin*	*Ralph Schulze*
Thomas Gariety	*Roy Sturwold*	

– Ministry Schedule –

Available for viewing on our website nwv.church or scan the QR code

– Saint Louis & Saint Nicholas –

THE ROSARY will be prayed at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 28 at St. Louis Church. All are welcome.

ST. ANNE'S RAFFLE TICKETS are available for all St. Louis parishioners. Pick up in the Gathering Room. Winners will be drawn on Sunday, November 1 during the Feather Party.

MASS PLUS WITH FR. RECKERS: Join us every Tuesday now through November 3 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. at St. Louis Church.

BAPTISM & BEYOND CLASS will be held on Monday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Nicholas Church basement. All couples are to attend before Baptism. Call 419-582-2531 to register.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you have someone to put on the prayer chain, call the office or call Marianne Brunswick at 937-467-9639.

LECTOR WORKBOOKS are available in the sacristy at St. Nicholas. Please pick up at your earliest convenience.

CEMETERY COLLECTION for St. Louis and St. Martin cemeteries will be held next weekend, October 31-November 1. Use the envelope in your packet to contribute toward the maintenance and upkeep of your cemetery. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

OSGOOD TRICK OR TREAT is today, Sunday, October 25, from 1:00-2:30 p.m.

NORTH STAR HALLOWEEN CONTEST, sponsored by the American Legion, is today, Sunday, October 25, at 1:00 p.m. at the Community Center, followed by Community Trick-or-Treat from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

NORTH STAR VETERANS SERVICE will be held on Sunday, November 8 at the North Star Community Center at 1:00 p.m.

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ST. NICHOLAS YOUTH MINISTRY BREAKFAST will be on Sunday, October 25, 2026 in the Osgood Church Basement from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. The menu will include sausage, eggs, pancakes, french toast, biscuits & gravy. We will also have to-go boxes available for those who would like carry-out. All proceeds from breakfast go toward the Youth Ministry. Thank you in advance for all of your support!

– Saint Remy –

PLEASE JOIN ST. REMY'S CASSEROLE CRUSADE TO FEED THE HUNGRY! Look for pans in the back of the church to make casseroles for soup kitchens and homeless shelters in our area. The drop-off date will be Sunday, November 1, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at St. Remy Hall. If you need freezer space or are unable to drop off your casseroles at that time, please call one of the committee members to make other arrangements. They are: Hollie Prenger (937-418-4990), Heather Borchers (wife of Jake, 937-418-8279), Rachel Borchers (937-935-1549), and Kayla Borchers (937-479-5045). Let's do our part to feed the hungry!

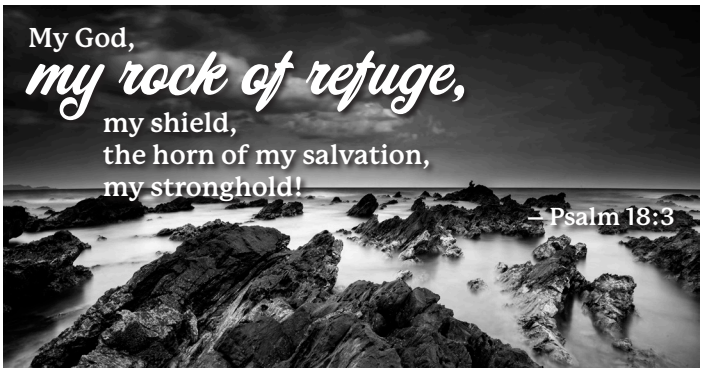
WE WILL BE SENDING CARE PACKAGES TO ST. REMY PARISHIONERS WHO ARE COLLEGE-AGE and are attending college out of town, commuting from home, or working. If you would like your child to receive a care package, please submit his/her address to Clare Homan via email at SRyouth@nwv.church, or by calling the parish office at 937-526-3437 by Friday, October 30. Please note that using other forms of communication may result in your request being lost or overlooked.

WE ARE IN NEED OF USHERS FOR THE 9:00 A.M. AND 4:30 P.M. MASSES. Ushers are asked to volunteer for one month at a time, four times per year, and can trade with other ushers if necessary. Please contact Maria at the parish office for more information.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO VOLUNTEER AS A WEDDING COORDINATOR in our parish. There are two women who are currently serving in this role, and we are looking for one more. Responsibilities include being present at wedding rehearsals and on the day of the wedding, to assist the bride and groom and bridal party, as well as to set the book for the lectors and set up the altar for wedding Masses and ceremonies. For more information, please contact Carla Meyer at the parish office at 937-526-3437.

WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON AT ST. REMY? Sign up for Flocknote emails and/or texts! You can do so by visiting stremy.flocknote.com or by calling the parish office at 937-526-3437 to sign up.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN RENTING OUT THE CWV HALL for an event is asked to contact Gerry Drees at 937-638-4064.



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, October 25
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Exodus 22:20-26
Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51
1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
Matthew 22:34-40

Monday, October 26
Weekday
Ephesians 4:32–5:8
Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6
Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday, October 27
Weekday
Ephesians 5:21-33
Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday, October 28
Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles
Ephesians 2:19-22
Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5
Luke 6:12-16

Thursday, October 29
Weekday
Ephesians 6:10-20
Psalm 144:1b, 2, 9-10
Luke 13:31-35

Friday, October 30
Weekday
Philippians 1:1-11
Psalm 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Luke 14:1-6

Saturday, October 31
Weekday
Philippians 1:18b-26
Psalm 42:2, 3, 5cdef
Luke 14:1, 7-11

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