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CONFESSION (RECONCILIATION): CONFESSION IS AVAILABLE BEFORE THE MASSES OR BY APPOINTMENT.

ROSARY EVERY SUNDAY AT 7:40 A.M. AT ST. MARY CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

8:00 a.m. St. Mary

10:00 a.m. Mary, Queen of Heaven 11:30 a.m. **Holy Trinity Church**

Fr. Mike Paraniuk

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

6:00 p.m. **Holy Trinity Church** 7:00 p.m. Mass - Holy Trinity Church

Fr. Mike Paraniuk

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2024

9:00 a.m. Mary, Queen of Heaven - Communion Service Only

9:15 a.m. St. Mary - Communion Service Only 11:30 a.m. St. Benignus - Bill Soards (Jackie Soards)

Fr. Mike Paraniuk

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

Holy Trinity Church - Communion Service Only 9:00 a.m.

Fr. Mike Paraniuk

3RD THURSDAY MASS EVERY MONTH IS DEDICATED TO PRO-LIFE

HOLY HOUR EVERY THURSDAY AT ST. MARY CHURCH

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

Noon Mary, Queen of Heaven Exposition at St. Mary

6:00 p.m. Recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary 6:30 p.m.

6:50 p.m. Benediction at St. Mary

7:00 p.m. St. Mary - Alvin Cole (Kelli Cole)

Fr. Mike Paraniuk

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2024

Holy Trinity Church Noon

Noon St. Benignus - Communion Service Only

Fr. Mike Paraniuk

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET BEFORE MASS AT 5:10 P.M. AT ST. MARY CHURCH

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

3:30 p.m. St. Benignus - Luke Givens (Eric & Cathy Givens)

St. Mary - Tom Moran (Margaret Hudson) 5:30 p.m.

Fr. Tim Kellaher

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

St. Mary - Chellie Dietrich (Ann Schlater) 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. St. Mary - Rita Blankenship (Bill & Janet Butler)

St. Benignus - Palisbo Family (Bob Dye) Noon

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Weekly Collection\$	4,677.00
Variance\$	-2,523.00
FISCAL YEAR NEED\$	76,400.00
FISCAL YEAR COLLECTED\$	54,257.00
VARIANCE\$	-22,143.00
ST. MARY COLLECTION - SEPTEMBER 15, 2024	·

Weekly Need	\$ 2,900.00
Weekly Collection	\$ 1.960.00
Variance	
FISCAL YEAR NEED	
FISCAL YEAR COLLECTED	\$ 17,908.00
VARIANCE	\$ -9,992.00



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" Prayer is the best armor we have, it is the key which opens the heart of God." - Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

ST. MARY CHURCH BINGO

** Volunteers Needed for Bingo - Bingo teams are short a few people. We really need help! Even if you can only work before Bingo starts (5:30-7:00 p.m.) that would be great. All teams could use extra hands to help with this ministry. If you could work on a team or just work a few hours, all help is welcome! Contact Michelle Salver at 937-840-8655 for more information.

Bingo Team 2 (October 4, 2024)

David T., Mary T., Tara B., Joyce C., Kevin S., Teresa S.

PRAYER REQUEST

Please keep Archbishop Schnurr in your prayers. His health overall is good, but can use the support and prayers of the faithful.



DATES TO REMEMBER

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

After 8:00 a.m. Mass Lector, Server, Eucharistic Minister Training – St. Mary

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

9:00 a.m. Confirmation Retreat - St. Mary

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024

3:00-5:00 p.m. Vegetable Soiree at St. Mary's Fr. Luehrmann Hall – St. Mary

For more information, call Patty R. at 937-466-2305

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024

1:00 p.m. St. Benignus Parish Council Meeting, Religious Ed. Bldg. – St.Benignus

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024

6:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting- Religious Ed Bldg. – St. Benignus

7:30 p.m. St. Mary Parish Council Meeting – St. Mary Meeting Room – St. Mary

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024

4:00 p.m. Confirmation Practice - St. Mary

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024

7:00 p.m. Confirmation Mass – Fr. Bernie Weldishofer, our Dean from St. Columbkille, will be the celebrant. - St. Mary

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024

6:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting- Religious Ed Bldg. – St. Benignus

OLOTH Vision Statement

The OLOTH Family is committed to live out this Vision:

At Our Lady of the Hills Catholic Family, our vision is to be a vibrant community that radiates love and compassion, grounded in prayer, and guided by the Holy Spirit. We strive to be a beacon of hope and refuge for all who seek God's Grace, welcoming all with open hearts and unwavering faith in Jesus.

ST. MARY CHURCH, HILLSBORO -**CONFIRMATION MASS**

October 22, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Fr. Bernie Weldishofer, our Dean from St. Columbkille, will be the celebrant.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Sunday, October 13, 2024

11:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus - St. Benignus - Meeting in Father Lay Hall Grand Knight: Bruce Bennett, Sr. Contact: 740-463-3406



VEGETABLE SOIREE

How late can I plant broccoli? How can I combat ravenous insects without chemicals? What would be a good timeline for planting? Got garden questions? We may not know all the answers, but we might have some good suggestions. If you like gardening, join us for a Vegetable

Soiree, Saturday, October 5, 2024, at St. Mary's Fr. Luehrmann Hall,

3:00-5:00 p.m. Bring your question, your ideas, your recipes, and your excess produce. For more information, call Patty R. at 937-466-2305.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Remember in your prayers those parishioners or their family or friends who are sick, in a hospital, nursing home, are homebound or in need of prayers...

ST. BENIGNUS & ST. MARY PRAYER LIST

Archbishop Schnurr, Bob Dye, Joe Turley, Jeff Thoroman, Judy Hagerty, Matt Scheeler, David Tolle, Brittany Kinzer, Eric Arrington, Paula Miller, Claudia Frank, Jeff Hadley, Becky Hiser, Theresa Shackelford, Cathy Thompson, Teresa Staten, Edna Maxwell, Jean Smith, Howard Smith, Ron Speakman, Linda Strahler, Dick Lester, Linda Bradford, Patricia Boron, Kaye Miller, Joe Wright, Kirk Wuellner, Mary Takacs, Jerry Perron, Jake Burns, Laura Sprauer & Unborn Baby, Dan Hartzell, Dr. Monica Salido, Baby Barrett Wilson, Emily Konerman

** To Add/Remove from Parish Prayer List, please inform the office (937-840-9932 St. Mary) or leave a note in the collection basket. (St. Benignus Church Office, 937-981-2785) **

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please submit by Monday 10:00 a.m. in writing or e-mail justleahatstmary@gmail. com or submit in my mailbox located at the front of the school or call the office at 937-840-9932.

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BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

September 22 - Sue Kennedy

September 23 - John Michael

September 25 – Monty Rayburn

September 26 - Karen Hawk,

Kathie Wietmarschen

Walter Pogorzelski, Mike Shorten September 28 - Josh Michael, Linda Perry,

September 29 - Morgan Pohlman, Shannon Taylor

September 30 – Ann Marie Gunderman

October 1 - Bob Addington, Jeff King, Paula Miller

October 3 – Jennifer Thery

October 5 - Denise Battistin, Amanda Hall, **Blake Walters**

October 7 - Bev Bullis, Janice Gaston, Franics Huiet, Janelle Rockey

October 8 – Lori Leibreich

October 9 - Bruno Battistin,

Reese Leibreich

October 13 - Kelly Wehrung

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Questions/Requests: Call Kristy Bockrath at 937-361-6590 or email krbockr@icloud.com. If you cannot attend as scheduled, please find a substitute.

ST. BENIGNUS CHURCH	SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH – 3:30 P.M. MASS	SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH – 12:00 NOON MASS
SACRISTAN	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
MINISTER OF THE WORD	Eric Givens	Vicki Brock
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Debbie Kennedy Cathy Givens Eric Givens	Dan Allison Teresa Allison Vicki Brock
SERVER	Volunteer Needed	Dan Allison
COUNTERS		Steve / Scott

"We have solemnly renounced the world and therefore, whilst we continue in it, we should behave like strangers and pilgrims.

- St. Cyprian

OUR LADY OF THE HILLS MASS SCHEDU

SEPTEMBER 22ND THRU SEPTEMBER 29TH

Sunday September 22, 2024 8:00am -Mass-St Mary

10:00am-Mass- Mary Queen of Heaver 11:30am- Mass-Holy Trinity Church

Monday September 23, 2024

7:00pm- Mass - Holy Trinity Churc

<u>Tuesday September 24, 2024</u> 9:00am- Mass - Mary Queen of Heaven-Communion Service Only

9:15am- St Mary -Communion Service Only 11:30am- St. Benignus - Mass

Wednesday September 25, 2024 9:00am- Communion Service Only- Holy Trinity Church

Thursday September 26, 2024

6:00pm- Exposition/Rosary/Benediction- St Mary 7:00pm- Mass- St Mary

Friday September 27, 2024 Noon - Holy Trinity Church- Mass

Saturday September 28, 2024 3:30pm- Mass- St Benignus 5:00pm-Mass- Holy Trinity

<u>Sunday September 29, 2024</u> 8:00am -Mass-St Mary 8:30am-Mass- Mary Queen of Heaven

10:00am- Mass- St Mary 11:00am- Mass- Holy Trinity Church Noon- Mass- St Benjanus

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REGULAR MASS SCHEULE RETURNS

SEPT 28TH Blessings, Fr Mike

SERMON ON MARK 9:30-37

Tave you ever joked around with a friend on the cell phone $oldsymbol{\Pi}$ by pretending the reception is bad and you can't hear him? When the Steelers win, I call my friend Bob who can't stand the Steelers. During my celebratory phone call, Bob will make crackling sounds as if the signal is disconnecting, pretending he can't hear me though I know he can hear me perfectly fine. We reverse roles when the Bengals win. Bob is still waiting for that.

We hear Jesus say in Mark 9:31 "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." A normal response would be, "I don't want anyone to hurt you" or "Why do you have to die" or "How can you come back in three days?" Instead, there was a complete disconnect. It's obvious the Apostles didn't want to understand. Using the phone analogy, "You're breaking up Jesus. Hello? Hello? Jesus, I can't understand you."

Why were the Apostles afraid to ask? They feared Jesus will demand they die, too. One of the main teachings of Jesus is this: "stop living for yourself." God said in the Bible, "He (Jesus) died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves...". (2 Corinthians 5:15)

Jesus teaches His followers that we must prepare for Heaven by converting from self-centered to other-centered. At Children's Hospital, I saw how we are born completely self-centered. Look what happens when a baby cries. A crying baby gets the bottle, a crying baby gets a diaper change, a crying baby gets held, a crying baby gets love. In a baby's world, they are the only ones that exist. The universe revolves only around them.

As they grow, they discover there are other people in the world, too. They are not the only one. That is the beginning of othercentered. I witnessed the greatest example of this when two kids found a bag of Chips Ahoy cookies. There was only one cookie left in the bag. The one kid took it out of the bag and simply handed it over to the other. That kid broke it in half so both could eat it.

I do my best to overcome any self-centered behavior. I do this by putting myself in someone's else's shoes, to understand what they must be feeling. We call this empathy. One of the biggest faults of a Pastor is the need to be in charge of everything. Putting someone else in charge has opened me to see the giftedness of others. I find joy in celebrating the success of others and praise them for their accomplishments. I challenge myself to say "thank you" and "I am grateful for what you do" more often.

I try never to dominate a conversation by talking about myself. It drives me up a wall when I share a feeling to someone who responds by ignoring what I just said as they talk about their own feeling. For example, I shared a feeling of loss to someone when my mother died in 2021. Instead of affirming the pain of my loss, he responded by talking on and on about how he felt when his mother died. I did not receive any comfort from him.

The Apostles did that to Jesus. Instead of validating Jesus when He talked about His death, they talked about themselves. Jesus makes this profound statement of His suffering and death and the Apostles respond by saying, "Yeah, whatever. Did you notice how great we are?" Jesus showed them what greatness looks like when He brought a child into their midst. In Aramaic, the word for child and servant is the same.

Life is a journey from selfishness to selflessness. God says in Philippians 2:3 "Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves." This is how you prepare for eternal life in God's Kingdom.

If you sincerely want to practice selflessness, get a cat. You will never live for yourself again. (My cat Buffy is trying to help me write this sermon by sitting on the keyboard. Meow)

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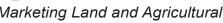
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