

ST. MARY'S  
CATHOLIC CHURCH



2022 GUIDE BOOK & DIRECTORY

# SAINT MARY'S CHURCH

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# SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Vigil Mass .....	Saturday, 4:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass .....	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Mass in Spanish.....	1:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass @ St. John's Church .....	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Vigil Mass @ OLG Mission Church .....	Saturday, 6:00 p.m.
(Consult weekly bulletin for any changes to the Mass schedule.)	
Monday.....	7:00 a.m.
Tuesday.....	7:00 a.m. & 6:15 p.m.
Wednesday.....	7:00 a.m., 8:10 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.
(Wed. & Fri. 8:10 a.m. Mass cancelled when school is not in session.)	
Thursday.....	7:00 a.m.
Friday.....	7:00 a.m. & 8:10 a.m.
Saturday .....	8:00 a.m.
Holy Days.....	7:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Holy Day Vigil Mass .....	7:00 p.m.
Holy Day Vigil Mass @ St. John's Church .....	6:00 p.m.
(Except All Saints Day which is held at 7:00 p.m. on November 1)	

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday .....	3:20 p.m.
Sunday.....	7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Weekdays .....	By appointment

## SACRAMENTS

### **Sacrament of Baptism:**

Parishioners who desire to have a child baptized must have been registered for at least four months in the parish. Parents must attend a Baptismal Class for the first child, and periodically thereafter as needed. Baptismal preparation sessions are available in English and in Spanish. Contact the Parish Office at 731-668-2596, or see the parish website or bulletin for class times and location.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available weekly and at seasonal parish penance services. Consult the parish bulletin for up-to-date confession times. Reconciliation is also available by appointment by contacting a priest at the parish office.

Children who are preparing to receive First Holy Eucharist also prepare to celebrate their First Reconciliation, usually during the 2nd grade year. Reconciliation is typically celebrated in the winter before First Holy Communion, which is celebrated during the Easter season. Several parent meetings are required in order for a child to be ready to receive this sacrament.

Contact Derek Rotty, Director of Evangelization and Discipleship at the Parish Office.

**First Holy Eucharist:**

Children who receive this sacrament (usually in the Spring of the 2nd grade year), must complete two years of faith formation (either in Children's Faith Formation or the parish school) leading up to the celebration. Several parent meetings are required in order for a child to be ready to receive this sacrament. Contact Derek Rotty, Director of Evangelization and Discipleship at the Parish Office.

**Sacrament of Confirmation:**

Confirmation preparation is a two-year process, typically during the 7th and 8th grade years. Teens may attend the Family Faith Formation sessions and/or the parish school during those two years. Teens must attend one Confirmation retreat provided by the parish during each year. Several parent and sponsor meetings are required in order for a teen to be ready to be confirmed. Contact Derek Rotty, Director of Evangelization and Discipleship at the Parish Office.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):**

RCIA is the process by which non-Catholics can explore the Catholic Church, and consider coming into full communion with the Church. A person may begin the process at any time of the year. See the bulletin for information on periodic inquiry nights. Our parish is also frequently in need of fully-initiated Catholics to journey with inquirers as sponsors. To engage in this process as an inquirer or sponsor, contact Derek Rotty, Director of Evangelization and Discipleship at the Parish Office.

**Sacrament of Holy Matrimony:**

Knowing the importance of establishing a Christ-centered relationship with Christ and one another, St. Mary's marriage preparation offers the engaged couple the opportunity to properly prepare for their vocation to the sacrament of Holy Matrimony. The aim of Marriage Preparation is to engage the couple in a sound, holy understanding of this sacrament, instituted by Christ himself. Couples should contact the Pastor at least six (6) months in advance of the desired marriage date.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:**

A priest is available at all times for this sacrament. Call the Parish Office at 731-668-2596 to request a priest. After hours answering service is available.

**Visit the Sick/Homebound:**

Priests are available to visit the sick, anoint the sick, bring Holy Communion, and hear Confessions. Extraordinary Ministers to the Sick bring Holy Communion to those who are sick or recovering from illness or injury and cannot attend Mass.

**Funerals:**

Contact the Pastor to make arrangements for a funeral.

For more information regarding any of the sacraments, please contact the Parish Office at 731-668-2596.

## ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

St. Mary's Catholic School is a Catholic, parochial, coeducational, 2-year old through 8th grade school that was established in 1878. The school has been blessed to have had Dominican Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation in Nashville, Tennessee on staff since 1889. Interested? Please direct all inquiries pertaining to enrollment to school principal, Mrs. Jo-Ann Wormer either by phone at 731-668-2525, or by email to Joann.Wormer@stmarys.tn.org or visit our website at [www.stmarysschool.tn.org](http://www.stmarysschool.tn.org).

Administrative Assistant..... Mrs. Becky DeArmitt. 731-668-2525

Numerous volunteering opportunities exist within the school. To learn more, please contact Becky DeArmitt at 731-668-2525.

### **St. Mary's School Parents Club**

CONTACT..... St. Mary's School. 731-668-2525

### **Catholic Schools of Jackson Athletic Booster Club**

CONTACT..... St. Mary's School. 731-668-2525

## SACRED HEART OF JESUS HIGH SCHOOL

At Sacred Heart of Jesus High School numerous volunteering opportunities exist within the school. To learn more about Sacred Heart of Jesus High School go to [www.shjhs.org](http://www.shjhs.org) or contact the school principal, Adam Rust at [Adam.Rust@shjhs.org](mailto:Adam.Rust@shjhs.org) or 731-660-4774.

## LITURGY

### **Acolytes**

The Acolytes serve the Parish community through assisting the priest at Mass and other liturgies.

TIME COMMITMENT: Approx. 1 weekend Mass per month, plus occasional school Masses and special occasion liturgies.

CONTACT ..... Deacon Dale Brown.....731-668-2596

SPANISH..... Cruz Torres.....731-437-6659

### **Altar Society**

The Altar Society exists to give that "special, reverential" care to the altar area and the sanctuary and also to provide the care and upkeep of the Holy linens.

TIME COMMITMENT: 1 month per year; during that month, approximately 1 hour per week.

CONTACT ..... Lynn Williams .....731-668-3706

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### **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

This group exists to provide an opportunity for children (PreK- 2nd grade) to hear readings and respond to them in a simpler language during the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass (offered throughout the school year).

Children leave Mass at the beginning of the Liturgy of the Word and return at the Presentation of Gifts. Adults who wish to share their faith with children are welcome to join the team.

TIME COMMITMENT: One hour per week, when serving in rotation with other volunteers; during the school year.

CONTACT ..... MaryJo Howard .....731-394-3101

SPANISH..... Parish Office.....731-668-2596

### **Choir – Accompanist**

Individuals enhance worship by providing keyboard accompaniment for sung hymns and psalms led by a song leader or cantor.

Accompanists also provide instrumental music for prayer and reflection within the Mass and special liturgies.

TIME COMMITMENT: Approximately 3-4 Masses per month; flexible.

CONTACT ..... Josh Moore.....731-668-2596

### **Choir – Adult**

This group enhances community worship with song at the 10:30 Sunday Mass or 4:00 Vigil Mass; Christmas Midnight Mass; Holy Week, Easter and other special liturgies throughout the year. The Adult Choir promotes fellowship among parishioners in addition to increasing their knowledge of the Catholic Faith through music.

TIME COMMITMENT: 1 ½ hours on Sunday (30 minutes practice and Mass); and weekly practice on Wednesdays leading up to Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter.

CONTACT ..... Josh Moore.....731-668-2596

### **Choir – Cantors/Song Leader**

These individuals lead the congregation in song during Mass and other liturgies.

TIME COMMITMENT: 1 ½ hours on Sunday, when scheduled to serve (30 minutes practice and Mass); and weekly practice with the Choir leading up to Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter.

CONTACT ..... Josh Moore.....731-668-2596

### **Choir – Spanish**

This group enhances community worship with song at the 1:00 p.m. Sunday Spanish Mass, and occasional bi-lingual Masses.

TIME COMMITMENT: Thursday practice at 6:00 p.m. and 2 hours on Sunday (one hour practice and Mass).

CONTACT ..... Berta Leon.....731-267-5537

### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

This group facilitates the distribution of the Precious Body and Blood of Jesus on Sunday and at Holy Day Liturgies.

TIME COMMITMENT: 5 persons needed per weekend Mass.

CONTACT ..... Deacon Dale Brown.....731-668-2596

SPANISH..... Manuel Ortiz .....731-487-8953

**Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick**

The Extraordinary Ministers to the Sick (EMS) bring Holy Communion to our parishioners who cannot attend Mass or who are in a hospital setting, including Jackson-Madison County General Hospital, Madison County, and all Healthcare/Rehabilitation/Nursing Home facilities. The Hospital Ministry is coordinated by Deacon Bob Russell and the Sick/Homebound Ministry by Fr. Richard Cortese.

TIME COMMITMENT: EMS's set their own time of service during weekdays and/or weekends, setting up the rotation schedule with their respective coordinator.

CONTACT ..... Deacon Bob Russell .....731-217-6373  
or ..... Fr. Richard Cortese .....731-668-2596  
SPANISH..... Parish Office .....731-668-2596

**Greeters**

Greeters have two primary missions: to welcome members and visitors to Sunday Mass and to answer questions visitors and newcomers may have.

TIME COMMITMENT: Approximately one weekend Mass every month.

CONTACT ..... Parish Office .....731-668-2596

**Lectors**

Lectors proclaim the Word of the Lord during the Liturgy of the Word at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.

TIME COMMITMENT: Approximately 1 Sunday Mass per month, plus Holy Days.

CONTACT ..... Deacon Jim Moss .....731-668-2749  
SPANISH..... Linda Hernandez .....731-988-6691

**Sacristans**

Sacristans prepare the sacred vessels used at Mass. They provide a service for the celebrant and are responsible for maintaining the sacred vessels.

TIME COMMITMENT: Approximately once per month; some sacristans volunteer additional time to prepare for weekday Masses.

CONTACT ..... Deacon Bob Russell .....731-217-6373

**Ushers**

Ushers provide for orderly movement and seating of parishioners during Mass. They also take up the collection and respond to emergency situations as necessary.

TIME COMMITMENT: 5 persons needed per weekend Mass and at Holy Day Liturgies.

CONTACT ..... Parish Office .....731-668-2596  
SPANISH..... Manuel Cobián .....731-293-4036

# LIFE LONG FAITH FORMATION

## **Adult Faith Formation & Adult Sunday School**

St. Mary's offers a variety of adult formation programs throughout the year. The most notable events happen between the Masses on Sunday mornings, from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Gatherings are designed to provide a place for adults to learn more about their Catholic faith, and to gain understanding of how this knowledge is applicable in their daily lives. CONTACT Derek Rotty, Director of Evangelization and Discipleship at the Parish Office.

## **Adult Retreats – Men**

Men's retreats are held to provide men an opportunity to deepen their personal relationship with God, to rest, and to provide time to bond and form relationships with fellow parishioners. There are retreat opportunities offered for the men during the year.

TIME COMMITMENT: 1 weekend per year.

CONTACT ..... Deacon Jim Moss .....731-668-2749

## **Adult Retreats – Women**

Women's retreats are held to provide women an opportunity to deepen their personal relationship with God, to rest, and to provide time to bond and form relationships with fellow parishioners.

TIME COMMITMENT: Minimum one retreat per year.

CONTACT ..... Lynn Williams .....731-668-3706

## **Cursillo**

Cursillo is a Movement of the Catholic Church. The name Cursillo de Cristiandad is Spanish, meaning a short course. It is a weekend of spiritual growth and renewal.

CONTACT ..... Deacon Jim Moss .....731-668-2749

## **Family Faith Formation**

During the school year (August through early-May), children gather most Sundays (9:10-10:20 a.m. OR 11:40 a.m.-12:50 p.m.) OR Wednesdays (5:50-7:15 p.m.) for faith formation sessions. Groups are available for 4 year olds through Confirmation preparation. Parents also engage in monthly formation sessions so they can continue formation at home with their children.

CONTACT: Derek Rotty, Director of Evangelization & Discipleship, at the Parish Office.

## **Life in the Spirit Prayer Group**

This group is affiliated with the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Memphis (CCRM) and offers intercessory prayer for our Parish and the Diocese.

TIME COMMITMENT: Meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Ministry Center – Our Lady of Fatima Room.

CONTACT ..... Beth Londino.....731-293-5641  
or..... Sharon Reiter .....731-415-0133



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CONTACT ..... Parish Office .....731-668-2596

**Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration**

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is the permanent exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament and is coordinated by the laity of our parish, with the assistance of clergy. Pope John Paul II began Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on December 2, 1981, in a chapel in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and urged all parishes to do the same. Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration began in our Parish on January 15, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. immediately following the blessing of our newly constructed Divine Will and Mercy Chapel by Bishop Terry Steib. Jesus, in the Garden of Gethsemane, mournfully asked His disciples, “Could you not watch with me one hour?” (Mt 26:40) Through Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration we proclaim to our parish and community that Jesus is here, truly present among us today! Adorers often express how they value their Holy Hour. TIME COMMITMENT: One hour each week.

CONTACT ..... Tara Doyle .....414-412-6109

SPANISH..... Parish Office .....731-668-2596

**Parish Rosary**

Praying the rosary daily is encouraged. The rosary is prayed before Weekend Masses during the months of October and May. The Knights of Columbus have a weekly rosary on Mondays at 6:15 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**St. Sebastian Breakfast**

St. Sebastian Breakfast is a weekly (during the school year) gathering of men for prayer, fellowship, study & discussion, whose mission is to help men become better husbands, fathers, friends, bosses & co-workers. The group gathers each Wednesday morning at 6:00 a.m. in the Our Lady of Lourdes Room. There is a nominal cost for breakfast each week.

CONTACT ..... Davis Dallas.....731-660-4866

or..... Deacon Eddy Koonce.....731-668-6906

**Wednesday Morning Scripture Study**

Knowing the importance of God's revealed word, Divine Revelation aids in our understanding of what God handed down to humanity through the Word made flesh — Jesus Christ. Growing in this understanding of the Deposit of Faith, St. Mary's faith sharing sessions are meant to aid the parishioner's growth in appreciation and veneration of God's revealed truth. TIME COMMITMENT: Weekly, 1½ hours per week.

CONTACT ..... Barbara Ormerod .....731-668-1860

**Youth Ministry**

All 6th through 12th grade youth belong to this ministry. Gatherings on Sunday afternoons include music, games, fellowship, food, and more fun. There are also several retreat & pilgrimage opportunities throughout the year.

CONTACT ..... Parish Office .....731-668-2596

or parishinfo@stmarys.tn.org

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## EVANGELIZATION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

### **Catholic Scouting – Cub Scout Family Program (boys and girls)**

The Cub Scout program is uniquely designed to meet the needs of young boys and girls in grades K-5 and their parents. Cub Scouts is a year-round program that offers fun activities that promote character and leadership development. It is designed to be hands-on and parents are encouraged to play an active role in the program. Pack 6 events include camping, sporting events, pinewood derby, rain gutter regatta, summer day camp, and religious programs. Pack 6 meets on Monday nights 5:45-6:45 in Holy Family Hall during the school year, while summer activities vary. Members are divided into Dens based on grade and gender.

**TIME COMMITMENT:** Volunteering is the key that unlocks the confidence kids need to stand on their own two feet. But it also opens the door for adults to share inspiring experience with their own child, make friendships that will last a lifetime, and put a bunch of good kids on the path to a great life. 1 hour per week plus outings. Adult Leaders take annual BSA Youth Protection Training, Catholic Virtus training, and have a background check. Additional training, online and in person, and resource books are available for volunteers.

**CONTACT** ..... Cubmaster Alison Wyatt.....901-438-2412

### **Catholic Scouting – Scouts, BSA**

This is the traditional Scouting experience for youth ages 11-18. Service, community engagement and leadership development become increasingly important parts of the program as youth lead their own activities and work their way towards earning Scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout. Along the way they can learn about sports, crafts, science, trades, business, and future careers as they earn merit badges and advance through the ranks. Troop 6 is available to boys ages 11-18, and meets each Monday 7:00-8:30 p.m. throughout the year in Holy Family Hall. Troop 6 for Girls ages 11-18 meets separately at the same times.

**TIME COMMITMENT:** 2 hours per week plus outings. Parental involvement is one of the strengths that make Scouting unique. You will appreciate getting more involved at different times and levels during your child's Scouting development whether it's organizing a meeting, cooking for an event, or teaching one of the many Merit Badges. Your investment will be rewarded with an experience that is unmatched in the difference it can make in your child's life, as well as your own...and it is fun! Adult Leaders take annual BSA Youth Protection Training, Catholic Virtus Training, and have a background check. Additional training, online and in person, is available.

**CONTACT** ..... Scoutmaster Tom Carson Jones.....731-803-1789

### **Hispanic Ministry Commission**

This commission is comprised of bilingual and Spanish speaking parishioners who assist the pastor and the parish with the pastoral, spiritual and sacramental needs of our Spanish-speaking members.

TIME COMMITMENT: Flexible.

CONTACT ..... Parish Office .....731-668-2596

### **Knights of Columbus**

This group exists to help Catholic men remain steadfast in their faith through mutual encouragement. The primary area of service is to the community and secondly to the youth. We are a Catholic fraternal organization open to all Catholic men above 18 in communion with the Holy See.

TIME COMMITMENT: 2 hours/month: meetings plus activities such as Christmas Basket collection, monthly country breakfasts and dinners.

CONTACT ..... Scott Hartsfield .....901-486-2971

SPANISH..... Tomas Leon .....731-267-2063

### **Legion of Mary – Spanish**

The purpose of the Legion of Mary is to grow in a deeper love for God and his Son Jesus, through devotion to Mary. Active members serve the parish family by welcoming new parishioners and new babies, making census calls, visiting the sick and homebound, attending funeral rites for deceased parishioners and doing other things at the request of the Pastor. (Auxiliary members support the parish with prayer.)

TIME COMMITMENT: Weekly meetings on Monday, 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Church Conference Room. Approximately 2 hours per week.

CONTACT ..... Lourdes Graham.....731-668-2596

### **Multicultural Leaders Committee**

The committee is inspired to strengthen God's kingdom by sharing our cultural fruits within the parish and throughout the community. It is accomplished through fellowship, faith, action and an annual Multi-Cultural event.

TIME COMMITMENT: Meets approximately once per quarter, or more often as necessary for special events.

CONTACT ..... Dawn Knight-Wilson .....815-236-4923

### **Evangelization Commission**

This commission exists to aid our parish leaders in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ in ways that are modern, engaging and, most importantly, imbued with the love of God. Specifically, the commission assists the Pastor in reaching out to the Jackson community so that everyone in Madison County has the opportunity to hear the Good News.

TIME COMMITMENT: Occasional meetings: approximately 1 ½ hours plus participation in project planning.

CONTACT ..... Derek Rotty .....731-668-2596

SPANISH..... Parish Office .....731-668-2596



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**St. Elizabeth's Bookstore Volunteers**

St. Elizabeth's Bookstore began in June 1993 as a ministry of St. Mary's Church serving Catholics of the Jackson Deanery. Located in the Church Narthex, it is operated totally by volunteers between the weekend Masses and is directed by a Board of Directors, which includes the Pastor and ten other members of the Church.

TIME COMMITMENT: One volunteer needed for approximately 30 minutes after each weekend Mass.

CONTACT ..... Kimberley Bryant .....615-545-7923

**Travelers 55+**

Travelers 55+ are a group of parishioners age 55 and up and their friends who like to participate in group trips and outings. The trips offer opportunities for fun, fellowship and spiritual growth. A trip or outing is planned for every other month and is announced in the bulletin.

CONTACT ..... Joyce LaFont .....731-668-5974  
or..... Mary Jane Warmath.....731-217-0756

**Young Adult Ministry**

This ministry provides a common ground for Catholics in their 20s and 30s across all walks of life. Any young adult interested in fellowship and community building through various social activities, attending church events and joining together to discuss faith and life is invited to join. If you would like to check out the group or support the ministry in any way, please call us or join the Facebook group: St. Mary's Young Catholic Crew.

CONTACT ..... Parish Office.....731-668-2596

## SOCIAL MINISTRY & WORKS OF MERCY

**Bereavement Committee**

This group exists to bring love from St. Mary's to the family of those who pass away. It helps bring the grieving period to another level of closure. We provide a meal immediately following the funeral service for whomever the family wants by their side. The committee needs food and monetary donations in addition to time commitment.

TIME COMMITMENT: As needed. Commitment for bereavement luncheon is about 4 hours.

CONTACT ..... Joy Boller .....731-668-4974

**Card Ministry**

The Cards Ministry is a group of volunteers who send cards of sympathy and encouragement to parishioners who have had life changing events. Our purpose is to let parishioners know they are not alone and that they are in the thoughts and prayers of their Church family.

CONTACT ..... Jeannie Coughlin .....731-616-4885

**Christian Sisters Book Club**

This is a time for great discussion, making new friends and sharing our Christian journey. We will meet the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month, 1:00-2:30 p.m. Meetings take place at 43 Lesa Dr. in Jackson. Please call if interested.

CONTACT ..... Phyllis Marshall.....731-267-5375

**Divorce Support Ministry**

The Divorce Support Ministry provides outreach to divorced Catholics in our faith community who suffer from the devastating effects brought on by divorce. The program focuses on issues related to divorce and annulment, and offers support in the healing process necessary in moving on in one's life. This ministry welcomes any divorced parishioner whether currently single or remarried.

TIME COMMITMENT: As needed.

CONTACT ..... Parish Office.....731-668-2596

**Grief Support Ministry**

This ministry deals with the issues that come from living with loss or life changing events. This includes, but is not limited to, the death of a spouse or loved one, mental illness or chronic disease. The focus of the ministry is to offer compassion, hope and healing to those in need. It consists of two components: those who have been through the grief process and would like to be on the "giving" side of the ministry, and those who are in the active stages of bereavement and would benefit from being on the "receiving" side of the ministry. Meetings will be announced in the church bulletin.

TIME COMMITMENT: As needed.

CONTACT ..... Parish Office.....731-668-2596

**Haiti Mission, Moron**

Our Mission is to help our sister Parish in Moron, Haiti with services including maintenance and repairs, religious education and orphanage, Christian Girls Home of Moron, Haiti (CGHMH). If you would like to sponsor an event to benefit our Haiti Mission, or to receive information about this ministry, please see CONTACT below.

TIME COMMITMENT: Meetings as needed.

CONTACT ..... Wayne Neihoff.....731-293-5280

**Heartwarmers**

The Heartwarmers make tied quilts of various sizes to donate to those who are in need. Their primary areas of service are providing quilts to the Red Cross for local disaster relief, Dream Center, Birth Choice, WRAP and the Knights of Columbus Christmas baskets. In addition, this group affords an opportunity for fellowship for its participants.

TIME COMMITMENT: 3 hours per week (plus any time at home at participant's option), flexible about attendance.

CONTACT ..... Jeri Jones .....731-293-3100

### **Home Touch**

There are times in our lives where we might find ourselves alone. Through the loss of a loved one, illness, or just not being as mobile as we once were, this puts us in a place of loneliness. Home Touch is an opportunity to have a parishioner (Phyllis) call you just to chat. She would be glad to call, get to know you and make a new friend.

CONTACT ..... Phyllis Marshall.....731-267-5375

### **Jim Wilson Christmas Partners**

Christmas Partners, spearheaded by the Knights of Columbus, is an organization of several (primarily non-profit) local organizations including RIFA and Area Relief Ministries as well as the Salvation Army and United Way of West TN. Every year Christmas Partners gathers, buys and distributes toys, bikes and clothing to approximately 1,000 area families.

CONTACT ..... David Burngasser .....731-343-8755

### **Mount Calvary Cemetery Friends**

This group exists to support and assist with the operations of the cemetery by providing occasional labor for maintenance projects/clean-up as scheduled by the cemetery coordinator.

TIME COMMITMENT: 1 day per year for comprehensive clean-up, plus would like volunteers to serve as back-up for the cemetery coordinator.

CONTACT ..... Kevin Brown.....731-697-9692

### **Prayer Line**

The prayer line provides a rapid response of prayer in emergency situations, by coordinating and contacting all who are willing to pray for those in immediate need of prayer.

CONTACT ..... Cindy Saia.....731-616-5621

### **Respect Life Committee**

Parishioners of St. Mary's give a voice to those whose life is at risk in our society through lack of respect. We are law-abiding citizens who, because of our faith, believe that all human life is God's creation and should be respected and protected. The committee educates parishioners on Church teachings concerning abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, fertility, sex education in the schools and other areas where life is at risk. The committee represents the Catholic Church's position on these life issues to the wider community. This committee also serves as a source of information on services and counseling available in our community for those in need of counseling for unplanned pregnancies and for post-abortion counseling services.

TIME COMMITMENT: Flexible.

CONTACT ..... Cindy Saia.....731-616-5621

# PARISH BENEFACTORS

## **Allegra Marketing Print Mail**

1029 Old Hickory Blvd.

Jackson, TN 38305

(731) 664-1676

### **Room In The Inn**

A national program for homeless men begun by Father Charles Strobel in Nashville Tennessee, works as a partnership between Area Relief Ministries (ARM) and local churches, including St. Mary's. ARM coordinates the program and provides sheets, blankets, towels, pillows and cots. Local congregations allow the men to sleep in their facility from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., providing dinner and a light breakfast. Volunteers are needed to prepare the meals, serve and clean up. Also, two men parishioners are needed to stay overnight with the guests. We host Room In The Inn once a month, typically the first Thursday of every month. This program has provided shelter for hundreds of men and created life changing relationships through fellowship with the guests.

TIME COMMITMENT: Flexible, typically 3-4 hours, 2-3 days a year.

CONTACT ..... Jeanie Sopcak .....731-267-1126  
or..... Jackie Hazlehurst .....731-267-2677

### **Soup Kitchen Volunteers**

The larger Jackson community prepares a hot meal daily for the hungry of the area. St. Mary's provides volunteers and desserts several weeks during the year through the RIFA program.

TIME COMMITMENT: 3 weeks per year, 2 hours per day.

CONTACT ..... Cathy Jarvis.....731-267-0538

### **Women's Ministry – The Well**

The mission of The Well Ministry is to help all women deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ through the overflowing power of the Holy Spirit, to be filled with the Living Water and to joyfully proclaim and live out the Gospel of our Lord.

The group is for all women of St. Mary's and the Jackson area community.

TIME COMMITMENT: Meets approximately 2 evenings per month, flexible about attendance.

CONTACT: ..... Tracy Dillon.....731-431-0610

## STEWARDSHIP & PLANNING

### **Pastoral Council**

The Pastoral Council is made up of parish members who assist the pastor in carrying out the responsibilities of parish life. They provide insight into the pastoral needs of the parish and overall leadership by directing activities and programs that promote a strong spiritual and family foundation.

Current members are: Fr. David Graham, Fr. Richard Cortese, Fr. Jonathan Perez, Deacon Bill Winston, Deacon Dale Brown, Jo-Ann Wormer, Adam Rust, Derek Rotty, Manuel Cobian, Linda Hernandez, Tom Jones, Bill Styers, Bill Boller, Tara Doyle, Sarah Gibson and Kate Todd.

**Finance Council**

The Finance Council, established by the church's Code of Canon Law #537 serves the parish in matters of finance and administration. Council members review the annual budget, review financial reports, offer financial and managerial advice, and advise the Pastor on purchasing, stewardship, fundraising and any other significant administrative issues involving financial matters.

Current members are: Dianne Edwards, Tom Carson Jones, Lane Lemons, Nancy McMahon, Deacon Jim Moss, Wayne Neihoff, Barbara Williams, Gay LaGrange Wilson, Fr. David Graham, Jo-Ann Wormer and Calli Carpenter.

**Building & Grounds Committee**

The Building & Grounds Committee oversees all activities associated with the planning and development of new facilities on our campus. Also this committee advises the Pastor about ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the current buildings and grounds.

**Church Cleaning**

This group assists in making our Church a warm, clean and inviting environment.

TIME COMMITMENT: One weekend a quarter.

CONTACT ..... Lynn Williams .....731-668-3706

**Collection Counters**

The group counts the Sunday offertory collection and prepares the collection for deposit to the bank.

TIME COMMITMENT: 1 Sunday per month, 3 hours per 1 Sunday each month from 11:30 a.m. until approximately 2:30 p.m.

CONTACT ..... Calli Carpenter .....731-668-2596

SPANISH..... Parish Office.....731-668-2596

**Helping Hands Volunteers**

The parish depends on volunteers who provide clerical help for the office in answering phones, stuffing bulletins and assorted duties. If you would like to help out, call the Parish Office.

TIME COMMITMENT: As needed.

CONTACT ..... Kate Todd .....731-668-2596