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Mass Intentions

Monday, Sept 30 (St. Mary) Rosemarie Foley By Sisters & Brothers	8:00 AM
Tuesday, October 1 (Assumption) Mary Felix By Gerry Bembenic & Family	9:00 AM
Wednesday, October 2 (Assumption) Susan Farris By Laura Towns	9:00 AM
Thursday, October 3 (St. Mary) Doug Smelko By Don Stefanelli	8:00 AM
Friday, October 4 (St. Mary) Barry Trzyna By Mary Ann	8:00 AM
Saturday, October 5 (Assumption) Catherine Rosana By Fran & Patty	8:00 AM
Saturday, October 5 (St. Mary) Elizabeth & Joseph Gileot By Paul Gileot	4:30 PM
Sunday, October 6 (Assumption) Dorothy Bembenic By Lori Fritz & Betty Eltringha	8:30 AM

Sunday, October 6 (St. Mary)

All Parishioners of both Parishes

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening 4:30 PM

(Jan.-May – Assumption; June-Dec. St. Mary)

Sunday Morning 8:30 AM (Assumption)

10:30 AM (St. Mary)

Sacrificial Giving

	<u>St. Mary</u>	Assumption				
Sept 22	\$2,144.00	\$1,867.00				
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	St. Mary	Assumption
Total Pledged	\$25,520	\$18,420
Total Paid	\$20,280	\$14,067

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Rich Kurten By Aunt Carol **Mildred Radzavich** By Fran & Ray

Altar Flowers at Assumption in Memory of: Elizabeth Quashnock By Son Michael

Ministers Schedule for October 5-6, 2019

10:30 AM

	4:30pm (St. Mary)	8:30am (ABVM)	10:30am (St Mary)
Altar Servers	L. Reiter	Enseki Sisters	S. Mullins
	A. Reiter		D. Mullins
Lector	L. Shadduck	S. Jovenetti	D. Bowley
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Office Information

Office Hours: (located at St. Mary Church) **Prayer Chain** St Mary 653-2752 Monday 7:00AM—2:00 PM Tuesday 7:00AM—2:30 PM Assumption 661-3894 8:00AM—2:30 PM Wednesday **Hospital Visits:** 8:00AM-2:30 PM Thursday Call Fr. Barron 814-503-0028 Friday—Closed Blue Army Prayer Cell: Tuesday 3:00pm

Madelyn Tomasura's home **Bingo:** Sunday at 6:00pm at St. Mary

The Parish Spotlight ~ Life Chain Guest Speaker ~ Mark Bradley Morrow

The 28th DuBois Area Life Chain is Sunday, October 6 from 2:30-3:30pm. Almost equally as important as your prayerful witness is your presence at the post-Life Chain presentation by speaker Mark Bradley Morrow, to begin at 3:45pm. Mark earned his bachelor's degree in Speech Communication and master's degree in Counseling. He and his wife Jeannie are national board certified / state licensed counselors who are blessed with their own private practice called "Brighter 2 Morrows Counseling, LLC" (Get it?)

Mark Bradley Morrow has been uniquely shaped by God to speak out on the issue of abortion, especially how it relates to men. Four Children aborted within 22 months - One child adopted - One child miscarried - Two children conceived after two vasectomy reversals. Mark is a Nationally Certified, State Licensed Counselor as well as a Professional Comedian. His personal and professional testimony allows him to package comedy, sorrow and hope into one unbelievable presentation. You can get a taste of his presentation in this video at https://youtu.be/HLIZO7V6AKY. Mark has opened shows for Saturday Night Lives Victoria Jackson, Davy Jones of the Monkees, The Union Gap's Gary Puckett, Taylor Mason and others. Mark spoke publicly for the first time about his abortion experiences in front of 6,000. Mark has spoken about the effects of post-abortion grief at Churches, Pro-Life Festivals, Conferences, Care Net Banquets, plus Radio/Television/Newspaper/Magazine Interviews. His story has been shared with millions. In 2008, Mark founded Bold Moves Ministry, which takes him around the country communicating the seldom heard message that abortion hurts men.

About his book: "The Greatest Pretender: 1 Youth Leader, 4 Abortions, 18 Years of Secrecy" tells the true story of a broken Christian man's redemption from a life of secrecy. The Greatest Pretender was written as a personal testimony that is primarily for adults. Though the man is fifty percent responsible in every abortion that occurs, their perspective is rarely told. Mark Bradley Morrow experienced the silent guilt and shame of four abortions over 18 tormenting years of secrecy. The Greatest Pretender explains his struggle and his path to redemption. As a youth leader and the leader of a popular Christian radio show, Mark Bradley Morrow lived the epitome of a Christian lifestyle on the outside. Inside, however, he held shameful secrets that were never exposed, and made him feel like a fraud. After 18 years, he knew he needed to change, but revealing his sins threatened to take away everything he cared about. Discover the aftermath of Morrow's story and be inspired by his transformation through The Greatest Pretender.

After keeping his abortions a compete secret for nearly two decades, Mark is completely free from shame and is taking an incredibly bold and selfless stance in sharing his truth and the truth of millions... that abortion kills innocent babies and can devastate the lives of not only women, but men as well. Mark knew from the moment he finally disclosed his sinful and shameful past, that God wanted him to write this book, so that others could realize that they are not alone, can escape the horrors of their past abortions and be emotionally set free. He has been obedient to God's call in writing *The Greatest Pretender* and made significant relational, professional and financial sacrifices to do so. Mark has pushed every one of his chips forward and is ALL IN, knowing without a doubt that God is going to do immeasurably more with his book and flourishing keynote speaking, than he could ever hope for or imagine.

- Mary Carlson

ST. MARY'S / ASSUMPTION'S NEWSLETTER, September 29, 2019

PARTNER PARISH NEWS

<u>STEWARDSHIP:</u> - "Stewardship - Reflect, Respond, Renew!" Program. Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. It is important that all parishioners complete a Commitment Card as we will be mailing out a Summary Report of the program and need all commitments accounted for in this report. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. We also encourage all parishioners to consider our electronic giving method and to setup your reoccurring offertory gifts electronically.

<u>PARISH COUNCIL</u> - there will be a meeting of the joint parish pastoral council on Tuesday, October 8th, at 7 P.M. at St. Mary's Parish. Parishioners are encouraged to talk to members of the council if they have any concerns that they would like addressed at the meeting. They are meant to be representatives for you!

<u>ORGANIST</u> - our Saturday evening organist Deb had a fall in her residence and broke her shoulder. She will be out for a few months recuperating. We are in need of an organist at St. Mary's Parish. We are also in need of an organist for weekday funerals at both Assumption and St. Mary's Parishes. We are willing to provide training and lessons for young persons to learn to be a church musician. If interested, talk to a member of the music ministry or call Fr. Bill.

<u>VOCATIONS CROSS:</u> Week of September 29 –Mary & Joe McCluskey. I would like to thank all those who volunteered to pray with the Vocations Cross these past 9 months. I have noticed that the people who are now taking the Cross have already had it multiple times. So, with a better understanding of the participation rates in this prayer ministry, we are going to put the Cross on a hiatus. I'll bring it back after the first of the year. We will have a focus on our stewardship of vocations in the month of November too. There will be some new activities that I hope you will take part in. Fr. Barron

BABY SHOWER: To celebrate the "birth" of our spiritually adopted babies, we will be holding a Baby Shower on Sunday, October 6th from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in St. Mary's Social Hall. This event is a culmination of the past 9 months since we first began the Spiritual Adoption program in both parishes. All are invited to attend whether or not you "adopted" a baby. Please bring a wrapped baby gift as you would for any shower. A guest of honor will be there to open the presents which will then be donated to the Infant Pantry at Catholic Charities in DuBois. If you are unable to attend the shower, please drop your gift off at any weekend Mass in the box at the entrance of either St. Mary's or Assumption churches up to and including October 6th.

28TH **ANNUAL DUBOIS AREA LIFE CHAIN** will be held on Sunday, October 6th from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., rain or shine. The Life Chain will form as a cross along DuBois Avenue and on the Hoss's / City Park side only of Liberty Boulevard. Following the Life Chain there will be a half hour program at the Cherry Amphitheatre with speaker Mark Bradley Morrow, author, comedian, Erie radio personality, and Christian counselor. There are sign- up sheets on the table as you enter the church for those planning to attend.

<u>HALLOWEEN PARTY</u>: on Saturday, October 26th from 3-4 p.m. at St. Joseph Hall in DuBois for anyone in elementary school. Dress up as your favorite Halloween costume. Prizes will be given to the best costume, cutest costume and most unique costume. Games, and activities will be provided. <u>Please bring your own candy bag and a Halloween dessert.</u>

<u>ANNUAL FALL DINNER:</u> St Joseph's Parish in Lucinda will host their annual country style turkey & ham dinner on Sunday, October 13th from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, and free for preschoolers. Take outs will be available.

<u>SIGHTS & SOUNDS THEATER TRIP:</u> Please join the St. Michael Rosary Society on a bus trip to see "Miracle of Christmas" at Lancaster's Sights and Sounds Theaters on Friday, November 15.If you would like to reserve a seat or have any questions, please call Angie at (814) 591-0660. Seats are limited.

ST. MARY'S NEWS

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Don and Bonnie Meholick who are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary, today, Sunday, September 29th.

<u>ANNUAL TURKEY FESTIVAL!</u> Mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 5th and Wednesday, November 6th for our annual turkey festival. We need your help to continue to make it the success it has always been in the past. It takes many people to volunteer, so please plan ahead to help as much as you can. More info to come next month!

ASSUMPTION'S NEWS

<u>ROSARY ALTAR FALL BAZAAR</u> – Anyone who would like to still donate any items for baskets for the Fall Bazaar may do so until the weekend of October 5/6th. Items still needed are: Baking Pans, icing, cake mixes, dish towels, dish detergent, etc. The church is open daily from 8:00 am until 2:30 pm. You may drop off your item/items in the Parishioners Aid Center during the week if you wish to do so. Any questions, please call Josephine (371-0725). Thank you for your generosity in this annual fundraiser.

<u>TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER</u> will be held Sunday, October 20th from 11:30 – 2:00 p.m. in the church Social Hall. ***Cash Prize Giveaway Tickets have been sent out to you in the mail, if you have not received your tickets, please call (894-2772) if no one answers, please leave a message. <u>AGAIN</u> sorry for the inconvenience of the tickets being in books of 20. Please drop your tickets in the collection basket at weekend mass or put them in the mail slot at the rectory office, also you may mail them back to the church if you choose to do so. This year's profit will go to the maintenace of the parish rectory and church. <u>Thank you</u> for your co-operation and support in this fundraiser.



A LARGE CORNUCOPIA will be placed in front of the altar of sacrifice beginning the weekend of October 6th. The Lord and his poor need our help! Please bring non-perishable food items to weekend Mass.The ushers will place your donations on the altar at the presentation of the gifts. This Zacchaeus Outreach Program will conclude the weekend before Thanksgiving!! Please generous!!

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Felicity Enseki who was crowed DuBois Area High School Homecoming Queen at last Friday nights football game.

BAKE SALE ITEMS for the Bazaar may be dropped off on Wednesday, October 9th if possible. The Social Hall door will be opened for the baked goods to be dropped off from 8:00 am until 2:30 pm for your convenience. The ladies would like to get the baked good items marked and set up to cause less confusion on the day of the Bazaar. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.