

Gift of Talent 2019

Joy in Giving

Ministry Guidebook



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LITURGY & WORSHIP

Adoration Chapel

Contact: Teresa Birdsall | 720.283.4736

Come adore Christ in the Eucharist each week in a peaceful environment to give thanks, pray, reflect, and pour out your life to Jesus. The chapel door is unlocked from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm daily. An entry code is required at night from 7:00pm to 6:00 am. Contact the parish office to obtain the entry code.

Altar Servers

Contact: David Suddjian | dsuddjian@stmarylitleton.org

Assist the priests and deacons at the Sunday Masses. Time Commitment: Varies as needed

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Contact: Teresa Birdsall | 720.283.4737

Distribute the Holy Eucharist at weekend Masses, or bring communion to the sick and homebound. Time commitment varies.

Host Ministry

Contact: David Suddjian | dsuddjian@stmarylitleton.org

Our new St. Mary Host Ministry creates a hospitable and welcoming environment at Masses and other parish events, greeting people and responding to needs and questions. Host Ministers cover tasks commonly assigned to greeters and ushers, such as greeting, taking the collection and passing out materials. They also provide information about St. Mary to newcomers and visitors, and offer a welcome at various special parish events.

Lectors

Contact: Teresa Birdsall | 720.283.4737

Proclaim the Word of God through Holy Scripture at Mass. Time Commitment: 1 hour/ bi-weekly at preferred Mass time.

Liturgical Environment

Contact: David Suddjian | dsuddjian@stmarylitleton.org

Put your creative side to use helping to decorate the Church for weekly masses and liturgical feast days! Time commitment: 1-2 hours a week; monthly as available.

Liturgical Supplies Ministry

Contact: David Suddjian | dsuddjian@stmarylitleton.org

Join a rotating group of volunteers to help launder linens, clean sacred vessels, and purchase materials used in the Mass. Time commitment: Varies as needed.

Music Ministry

Contact: Michael Kilcoyne | mkilcoyne@stmarylittleton.org

Praise the Lord through music by participating in our weekend Mass choirs. No experience is necessary and youth are welcome to join. Time commitment: 1 hr/week at Mass & weekly rehearsal (approx. 2 hrs/week).*

St. Mary Adult Choirs

Rehearse on Thursdays, 6–8pm

Choirs sing at the 9:30 or 11:30 Masses and for Solemnities and other special Masses.

St. Nicholas Choir of Boys & Girls (K–2nd grade)

Rehearsals: Wednesday 3:00–4:00

Children sing for special Masses throughout the year.

St. Gregory Choir of Boys/St. Cecilia Choir of Girls (3rd–8th grade)

Rehearsals: Wednesday 3:00–4:00

Choirs sing at 9:30 Mass on the 1st Sunday of the month and at the Friday morning school Masses.

**All parishioners are eligible to attend free private voice instruction. Learn to match pitch, read music, or perfect your technique.*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

American Heritage Girls

Contact: Sharon Young | kristirose@gmail.com

Girls in grades K-8 participate in scouting activities such as badge programs, service projects, and outdoor experiences.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Contact: Dcn. Rich Hamilton | rhamilton@stmarylittleton.org

Coming in the Fall of 2016. "Then He took a little child and putting His arm around him said, 'Whoever welcomes a child such as this for My sake welcomes Me!' (Mark 9:36-37) The purpose of this program is to assist the involvement of children and adults in a common religious experience in which the religious values of childhood, primarily those values of contemplation and enjoyment of God, are predominant.

Cub Scouts

Contact: Dan Dineen | dandineen@comcast.net

Boys in grades 1-5 participate in scouting activities such as badge programs, service projects, leadership training and outdoor experiences.

Mater Dei Homeschool Enrichment for Grades 1–6

Contact: Angela Urban | angelaurban3@gmail.com

We provide elementary homeschool students with the opportunity to join in classes once a week at St. Mary for education enrichment and social interaction with fellow homeschooling students during the school year. Please contact Angela if you have an interested student or if you are interested in teaching a class.

Little Flowers Girls Club

Contact: Lexie O'Rourke | oroukealexandra@gmail.com

Girls in grades K-2 meet to learn about the virtues, Scripture, and the lives of the saints in this after school club.

Mary's Little Flock Nursery

Contact: Sammy Jo Geist | nursery@stmarylittleton.org

Children participate in Bible studies, crafts, playtime, and snacks during the 9:30 am & 11:30 am Masses and occasionally available during special parish wide events.

Nazareth Elementary

Contact: Dcn. Rich Hamilton | rhamilton@stmarylittleton.org

Children in the parish and school come to practice virtue, have fun, deepen their friendship with Jesus, and develop their prayer lives.

Special Religious Education

Contact: Susan Whittaker | susanwhittaker59@yahoo.com

Religious education program for youth with special needs.

Trail Life USA

Contact: Todd Hattenbach | thattenbach@mail.com

Young Men grades K-12 learn to honor God, lead with integrity, serve others, and experience outdoor adventure.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Boy Scouts

Contact: Derek Thomas | derek.thomas@broncos.nfl.net

Young Men in grades 6-12 participate in scouting activities such as badge programs, service projects, leadership training and outdoor experiences.

Emmaus High School Ministry

Contact: Andy Green | agreen@stmarylittleton.org

High School Youth are challenged to love Christ and live the Gospel through small group discipleship ministry and large group meetings.

Nazareth Middle School Youth Group

Contact: *Andy Green* | agreen@stmarylitleton.org

Middle School youth are challenged to grow in virtue and Rule of Life (God, Family, Studies, and Friends) through hands on activities and scripture study with high school and adult mentors.

Spanish Exchange Host Program

Contact: *exchangeprogram@stmarylitleton.org*

Host a teen from Spain giving them the experience of American culture and assist in teaching them English in our annual summer exchange program. Time Commitment: one month in the summer.

Mater Dei Homeschool Enrichment for Grades 7–12

Contact: *Clarice Burch* | clarice.burch@gmail.com

We provide middle school and high school homeschool students with the opportunity to join in classes once a week at St. Mary for education enrichment and social interaction with fellow homeschooling students during the school year. Please contact Clarice if you have an interested student or if you are interested in teaching a class.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

Al-Anon

Contact: *Clare* | InTheNowAFG@gmail.com

Support group for those affected by alcoholism within their family or friend groups. We share experiences, strength, and hope. Meets every Wednesday at 12:00 pm in the Pastoral Center.

Bus Drivers

Contact: *Ruth Wood* | rwood@stmarylitleton.com

Drive the parish bus to bring elderly parishioners to Mass from local senior facilities. Time commitment: 2-3 hours/weekend, as needed.

Caregivers Support Group

Contact: *Faye Hargrave* | 303.798.2018

A support group for those caring for an elderly or ill family member at home or in a nursing home. Come for emotional help during this difficult time of care.

Marisol Meals

Contact: *Sara McCluskey* | smclluskey@stmarylitleton.org

Join a team of fellow parishioners who on a rotating basis bring pre-made dinners to Marisol Home in Lakewood! Marisol Home is a women and children's temporary home operated by Catholic Charities. They providing housing for women and their children for as long as they need to stay and offer classes to help them get back on their feet. For more information contact Sara!

Divorce Recover and Support

Contact: *Cheryl Cummins* | cacummins@comcast.net

St. Mary Parish offers two opportunities for support in recovering from divorce. Twice annually we offer the 10-week series of classes *Divorce and Beyond*, designed to help with stress, anger, blame, loneliness, and how to remain Catholic while going through a divorce. We also offer an on-going support group led by St. Raphael Counseling to continue the process of recovery and moving forward with your spiritual and emotional growth as a divorced person. It is recommended to begin with the classes first.

Footprints Grief Support Group

Contact: *Dottie Colbenson* | 303.795. 7217

A group offering care and support for those grieving the loss of a loved.

Habitat for Humanity

Contact: *Jack Riott* | jmriott@yahoo.com

Join with other Catholic and Christian churches to sponsor the building of a house for a needy family. Time commitment: one day/year.

Mother of Mercy Ministry

Contact: *Joan Bradbury* | joanbradbury1@gmail.com

St. Mary Community strive to promote true community with our parish family by offering opportunities for parishioners to serve and to be served. With joyful hearts and a spirit of compassionate mercy, we serve one another through offering our unique God-given gifts to meet the needs of others.

Respect Life Committee

Contact: *Roy Ladewig* | kampsunroy@yahoo.com

Honor the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death through prayer, education, and service.

St. Mary Parish Pantry

Contact: *Debi* | parishpantry@stmarylitleton.org

Food Bank open Mondays 10:00 a.m.–12 noon. Mission: *As a community centered in the Eucharist, we proclaim the love of Christ by sharing our bounty with all who seek nourishment.*

St. Vincent de Paul

Contact: *Noelle Johnson* | johnson.noelle@yahoo.com

St. Vincent de Paul offers financial assistance, hotel vouchers, and more to those in need who reside within our parish boundaries.

Stephen Ministries

Contact: Call 303.798.8506 and ask for the Stephen Ministry voicemail

We provide a listening ear to those in the parish and community encountering difficult circumstances in their lives. Stephen Ministers receive more than 50 hours of training to provide one-one-one, Christ-centered care.

St. Mary School Caring Communities

Contact: Anne Wagner | awagner@stmarylittleton.com

Our Caring Communities program is a unique opportunity for St. Mary faculty, staff, and students to build a sense of “family” within the school. It encourages camaraderie, builds friendships across grades, and creates informal places for mentorship, support and service. These Caring Communities get together as often as once a month for prayer, service activities, socializing and fun.

Prayer Quilts

Contact: Lila Engelbert | 303.798.8289

We come together to create prayer quilts which are given to those suffering from physical and emotional ailments to wrap them in prayer.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Contact: Anthony Fortunato | afortunato@stmarylittleton.org

Would you like to know more about the Catholic Faith? Are you considering becoming Catholic? Do you know someone who is curious? Our RCIA process includes those asking questions as well as those ready to begin the journey to full communion with the Catholic Church. Inquiry sessions begin in late summer.

Marriage Preparation

Contact: Anthony Fortunato | afortunato@stmarylittleton.org

St. Mary Parish Marriage Preparation program is designed to help couples grown in understanding of God’s plan for happiness in marriage. The first step is to contact Anthony Fortunato, Director of Evangelization, at afortunato@stmarylittleton.org to schedule a meeting to receive your Marriage Prep Packet.

Faithful Citizenship

Contact: Natalie Hattenbach | nhattenbach@mail.com

We provide information, primarily through email, about political and cultural issues and events relating to the topics of life, religious freedom, marriage, parental rights, and education. We give you tools to effectively communicate with your local, state, and federal legislators.

Galilee Young Adult Ministry

Contact: Andy Green | agreen@stmarylittleton.org

We offer a place where young adults can encounter our Lord in the same way that the Disciple did in Galilee through prayer, fellowship, and mission.

Magnificat Moms

Contact: Cassie Hegarty | magnificatmoms.stmarys@gmail.com

Join a group of moms for faith formation and support in your vocation as a mother.

Walking With Purpose

Contact: Marie Enzaldo | marie.enzaldo@gmail.com

We are a scripture study group for women looking to deepen their relationship with Jesus and with each other. We will meet weekly in groups of 10-12. Contact Marie for details.

FAMILY LIFE & SERVICE

Altar & Rosary Society

Contact: Julie Hecker | juliehec528@gmail.com

The ladies of the Altar & Rosary Society serve the parish by maintaining the altar linens, vestments, and albs, through assisting with the Sacramental receptions, hosting free bakeries, rosary and quilt making, supporting seminarians, and meeting for fellowship! Come and see!

Anna Martin Gift Shop Volunteer

Contact: Vicki Honeywell | vhoneywell@stmarylittleton.org

Assist in our parish gift shop by helping customers, ringing up sales, creating displays and other projects as needed. Time commitment: 2-3 hour shifts as needed.

Coffee & Doughnuts

Contact: Sara McCluskey | smccluskey@stmarylittleton.org

Join us each week after the Sunday 7:30 and 9:30 masses for fellowship. Join friends and meet new ones. Whether you volunteer to host or come to chat, you are part of the important ministry of hospitality.

Families of Bethany

Contact: Linda Sherman | ls Sherman@stmarylittleton.com

Join a small group of 5-7 couples and families for monthly in-home meetings focused on building strong faithful Catholic families through growth in friendship with Christ and each other. Meetings consist of scripture and other readings, discussion, and community time.

Parish Faith Communities

Contact: Linda Sherman | lsherman@stmarylittleton.org

Join a small group of 5–10 individuals for monthly in-home meetings designed to foster faith-filled community within the parish. Make friends and build a loving personal relationship with God through discussions of Catholic writings and videos. Resources are available through the parish.

Pilgrimages

Contact: Linda Sherman | lsherman@stmarylittleton.org

Join other St. Mary pilgrims as we travel to holy sites of particular importance to our Catholic faith. Travel on your own faith journey, growing in spirituality and knowledge, as you build community with others traveling with you.

Gardening Ministry

Contact: Kathy Houston | kathouston91@q.com

Take care of various flower beds around campus of the parish and school. Time commitment: 1-2 hrs/week OR 2-3 hrs/season (fall clean-up & spring planting).

Knights Ladies Auxiliary

Contact: Liz Wuest | famwuest4@gmail.com

Assist the Knights of Columbus with parish events and charitable causes.

Knights of Columbus

Contact: Jack Mascio | jcmascio@msn.com

Join the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization for men! We support our parish and the local community through many good works and acts of charity. If you're a Catholic man looking for fellowship and the opportunity to serve Christ and His Church, please check us out!

Marian Festival

Contact: Sara McCluskey | smccluskey@stmarylittleton.org

Join us for a free festival to celebrate the intercession of Our Lady at St. Mary Parish and School. Join our whole community for a day of faith, fun, and festivities.

Priest Meals Ministry

Contact: Belen Glasso | belengms@gmail.com

Cook a healthy meal & drop off at the parish office to sustain our priests in residence. Time commitment: As available– yearly, bi-monthly, monthly etc.

Rosary Makers

Contact: Joann Heidrick | 303.789.0325

Make and repair rosaries that are then distributed to missionaries around the world. Time commitment: varies.

Front Desk Volunteers

Contact: Janice Romero | receptionist@stmarylittleton.org

We seek to serve through assisting with administrative tasks, primarily at the front desk, by greeting visitors, answering phones, and other administrative tasks as needed. Time Commitment: 1 hour/week, bi-weekly, OR as needed.

Sunshine Club

Contact: Frannie Zeck and Barb Mascio | 720.378.3572 or 303.910.1262

Join our group of seniors 60+ as we pray the rosary and go out for lunch, presentations, and other activities.

Funeral Receptions

Contact Linda Sherman | lsherman@stmarylittleton.org

Give of your time and talent by serving or preparing food for grieving families at this difficult time in their lives. Rotating teams of volunteers spend 2–4 hours once or twice per month hosting luncheons. Other volunteers provide side dishes or desserts for the luncheon. All volunteer time is at your own availability.

Parish Events Team

Contact: Sara McCluskey | smccluskey@stmarylittleton.org

Assist with providing hospitality during parish-wide events including priestly ordination receptions, retreats, smaller receptions and more! Help with set-up, clean-up, or providing food. Many hands make light work! To learn more about this ministry, contact Sara.

St. Raphael Counseling

Contact: 720.377.1359 and mention St. Mary Parish

St. Raphael Counseling is part of the Catholic Charities family of services. They provide family and individual counseling on St. Mary's campus every Wednesday. Call for more information or to make an appointment.

