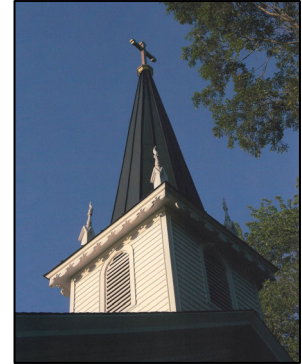


Parish Retreats: Revised on December 2, 2009

Mission: The St. Mary Retreat Ministry provides a spiritual oasis where parishioners can deepen their personal relationship with God. Through personal witness talks, small discussion groups, prayer, song, good food, and quiet time, participants are given a forum to explore their faith and enrich their spiritual journeys.

Organization: Days of reflection and retreats are planned by the Parish Retreat team. A member of the Parish Retreat team serves on the Spirituality Commission. (There are also some other retreats that are organized separately by other parish organizations, and the Parish Retreat team may serve as a helpful resource to these other organizations.)



2009-2010 Schedule of Parish Retreats:

- Saturday November 14, 2009: Mother's Morning
9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon in the Franciscan Room
- Saturday, March 6, 2010: Day of Reflection
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Franciscan Room

Please call the parish office for more information.

Silent Retreat. Shed the lingering effect of the hectic holiday pace and enter into the welcoming comfort that comes in being in the silent presence of God. This retreat takes place here at St. Mary Church, on Saturday, January 9, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in church and other locations in our parish buildings. Participants will be provided with a private space in which to pray, read, meditate, sing, write, reflect on Scripture, make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament . . . whatever you wish. Space will be limited, so please register early. We ask that you would please make the commitment to join us for the entire day. Lunch will be provided. There is no fee for the day. Please register by calling 708-326-9313.