

## Our Mission...

The mission of the Welcoming Ministry is to foster a welcoming environment that is outreaching, inviting and inclusive to all members and visitors of St. Mary's.

Our goal is to facilitate and be instrumental in establishing personal contact with new members or visitors to welcome and bring them into the parish and to provide a means for newcomers to become involved in the life of the parish.

*"I was a stranger and you welcomed me"*

- Matthew 25:35

## Contact Information

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For additional information about the Welcoming Ministry, or if you would like to register in the parish, please visit the St. Mary's web site at [stmarysparish.org](http://stmarysparish.org)

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## Typical Activities

The St. Mary's Welcoming Ministry is responsible for welcoming new families and individuals into the parish by providing them with general information. Members of the Welcoming Ministry welcome newly registered parishioners with phone calls and once a month at the welcoming table after Sunday masses.

This ministry also supports the Stewardship Committee in hosting the Mass of Welcoming & Reception.

If you enjoy meeting new people and would like to help welcome new parishioners into our faith community, please join us.

## When We Meet

Look for announcements in the bulletin about upcoming events.

All are welcome and you can participate in as little or as much as you would like.

## Why We Exist?

The Welcoming Ministry exists for new parishioners and visitors to St. Mary's. As a ministry, we believe the faith community of St. Mary's remains vibrant when newcomers and visitors find a warm, open atmosphere and a personal introduction to the life of the parish and other parishioners.

## Who We Are

We are stewards of our time & talent. St. Mary Parish is considerable in size and numbers, which often can be overwhelming to the newcomer. As we identify ourselves as brothers and sisters in Christ, we must do as the Scriptures call us to do and warmly invite the "stranger" into our community of faith.

