

**SAINT MARY PARISH  
ALEXANDRIA, KY**

**QUALIFICATIONS TO RECEIVE CERTAIN BENEFITS**

In a Catholic parish, benefits are often extended to registered and active parishioners since the parish facilities were built and are maintained through the generosity of parishioners.

At St. Mary, registered and active parishioners may avail themselves of certain benefits. The benefits are not limited to the following list. Non-registered and non-active parishioners may use the same facilities and/or take advantage of the same benefits but for a greater fee.

**BENEFITS FOR REGISTERED AND ACTIVE MEMBERS OF SAINT MARY PARISH**

- no charge for the use of the church building for a wedding
- in-parish fee for use of the undercroft
- in-parish tuition rate at St. Mary School\*
- in-district tuition rate at Bishop Brossart High School and Newport Central Catholic High School

To qualify for the benefits, a parishioner must be:

- currently registered in the parish
- be contributing time, talent, or treasure regularly to the parish
- worship regularly with the parish

The inability, either temporarily or permanently, to meet the above requirements will not limit anyone from receiving the spiritual benefits that our parish offers. The qualifications are only for receiving benefits similar to those listed above.

The parish administrator will ensure compliance with these guidelines before any benefit is extended to a parishioner. The pastor can make exceptions to listed qualifications to receive benefits.

**\*All parishioners, including school families, should regularly contribute financially to the parish. This can be done through church envelopes or automatic contributions. The recommended minimum contribution is \$8.00 or \$416.00 per fiscal year.**

Keep in mind that we set a minimum because we know what the burden of tuition can be for some, but not necessarily all. Stewardship asks that we give the most we can, not the least.

The Parish Council last reviewed and set this minimum in 2018. It has not increased in 8 years.

**Moreover, \$8.00 a week truly is a minimum when you consider it. It equals Starbucks coffee, a craft beer, a glass of wine, or a cheeseburger meal at McDonald's!**

Thank you. Fr. Joe

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