

St. Mary Catholic Church

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Mary Catholic Church

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Services:

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 10:45 AM
Monday & Friday: 12:00 noon

Confession:

Saturday: 4:00 PM—4:30 PM

Director of Music:

Pam Warren

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Jim Simpson

Holy Family

Catholic Mission

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220 W. Main Street
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Services:

Sunday: 8:30 AM
Wed. & Thurs.: 12:00 Noon

Confession:

Sun.: 7:30 AM—8:00 AM

Director of Music:

Dorothy Wood

STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Herbert Ene

Deacon: Wayne Tedford

Secretary: Sandy Simpson

Accounting: Lois Mahoney

Office Hours:

M, W, Th, F
11:00 AM—3:00 PM



A TRUE FRIEND

“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire.” (mark 9:42-43)

Seriously? Does Jesus really mean this literally? Should we really cut off our hand if it causes us to sin? He goes on to say that we should also cut off our foot and pluck out our eye if it causes us to sin.

Some of the early Church Fathers see this Scripture as a reference to our intimate friends. The context of this passage is that we ought not lead others into scandal and sin. In fact, it would be better if we have “a great millstone” put around our neck and were thrown into the sea than to cause another sin.

Friends, especially close friends, are a blessing most of the time. But they can also be a cause of sin. If a good friend were to intentionally try to convince another friend to sin, this is a grave issue and is the heart of what Jesus is addressing. What He’s saying is that if we have close friends who are intentionally and maliciously tempting us to turn from God, it’s better that we let go of that “friend” and cut him/her off. The hand, foot or eye is a symbol of those friends who work hard to draw us to sin. It’s better that these friendships end than to be drawn into Hell with them. And if we are the “friend” drawing others to sin, it’s better for us to cut our friendship off with those we are tempting.

One thing this passage reveals is the powerful natural bond of friendship. Friendship is a good thing. And when you have a close friend, you find great consolation in knowing your friend is deeply committed to you and will always be there for you. But every friendship must be continually evaluated in the light of faith and truth. Sometimes friendships can get in the way of our faith in God and can be a powerful influence upon us in a negative way. Of course, the opposite is also true.

Reflect, today, upon your friendships. If you have a close and intimate friend in your life, reflect upon how you influence that person or how he/she influences you. Make sure that Christ is the center and that faith always prevails in this natural bond.

Lord, I thank You for all friendships in my life. I thank You for giving me people who care. Help me to always be a good friend and to always examine my friendships in the light of faith. Jesus, I trust in You.

(MyCatholicLife)



First Friday of the Month October 1

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 9:00 am and Mass will be at 12:00 pm.

First Saturday of the Month October 2

Mass, recitation of the scriptural rosary and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Mass begins at 9:00 am.

BACKPACK MINISTRY

On the first Sunday of each month, Richelle Stokes will be collecting food for the children's Backpack ministry. Richelle will take all collected food to the other church and it will be combined with their collection. This will be distributed among those children in need throughout the schools in Huntingdon. Please be generous and **THANK YOU!**



DATES TO REMEMBER :



October 3	Hospitality Sunday Holy Family
October 3	Fellowship Sunday St. Mary
October 4, Monday	St. Mary Pastoral Council Meeting (6:00 P.M.)
October 6, Wednesday	Holy Family Parish Council Meeting (12:30 P.M.)

LEARN MORE ABOUT UNITED
IN FAITH

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UNITED IN FAITH



**Join us after
5:00pm Vigil Mass and
10:45am Mass on
Sunday**

for an informational
reception to learn more
about how this campaign
will unite our faith, parish
and diocese!

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Learn more about the United in
Faith campaign on

**October 2nd at
8:00am**

ATTENTION!!!!

There will be NO 5 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, October 9. Father Herbert will be in Memphis for the Eucharistic Congress . All are invited to attend the Eucharistic Congress.
There will be Mass as usual on Sunday, October 10.

"With deepest sympathy and prayers that God will bless and comfort you during this difficult time." Please keep Barbara Krupa and her grandsons in your prayers. Her son Jim passed away unexpectedly last week.



Michael O'Connell	10/03/21
Pam Warren	10/05/21
Lexie Harris	10/09/21
Richard Royston	10/10/21
Vicky Story	10/10/21
Jay Johnson	10/17/21
Emily Knight	10/26/21
Lois Mahoney	10/27/21
Stephen Walker	10/28/21
Natalee Melton	10/31/21
Nathaniel Melton	10/31/21
Sharon Reiter	10/31/21



Don and June Myers	10/01/21
Tom and Debbie O'Bryant	10/03/21
Garry and Lila Korbel	10/05/21
Robbie and Emily Knight	10/06/21
Steve and Jackie Ruhlman	10/19/21

Holy Family

The October hostesses for Hospitality Sunday at Holy Family are: Bob and Phyllis Wendt

St. Mary

The October hostesses for Fellowship Sunday at St. Mary are: Julia Johnson & Grace Garza



Procedure for Reporting Sexual Abuse

Anyone who has knowledge of or who has cause to suspect an incident of sexual abuse should report the information to the appropriate civil authorities first at 1-877-237-0004, then to the Diocesan Director Child & Youth Protection at 901-359-2027 or the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 901-652-4066.



CATHOLIC DIOCESE of MEMPHIS

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Week Ending

09/19/2021

St. Mary —Enrollment	76
Regular Offering	\$515.00
Families Contributing	8
Holy Family — Enrollment	44
Regular Offering	\$516.00
Families Contributing	16

TWO COLLECTIONS

10/03/2021- General Offering/
Building Fund

Ministry Schedule

For October 3, 2021

St. Mary Catholic Church

Lectors

Saturday: Pat Baloga

Sunday: Tricia Smothers

Eucharistic Minister

Pat Baloga(Sat.)

Jim Simpson (Sun.)

Counters

Pat Baloga and Jim Simpson

Holy Family Catholic Church

Lector

Sunday: Josselyn Hernandez

Counters

Wyatt Brooks and Wayne Tedford

Mass Intentions					
	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	09/25/2021	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Betty Gagnon	St. Mary Parishioner
Sunday	09/26/2021	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Pat and Mary Boucher	Sharon Reiter
Sunday	09/26/2021	St. Mary	10:45 AM	James and Debra Davenport	St. Mary Parishioner
Monday	09/27/2021	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Mike Tezak	Tricia Smothers
Tuesday	09/28/2021			NO MASS	
Wednesday	09/29/2021	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Mary Ellen Taylor	Richard and Lois Mahoney
Thursday	09/30/2021	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Pat and Mary Boucher	Sharon Reiter
Friday	10/01/2021	St. Mary	9:00AM	Mr. Mrs. Rod Sturdivant	Baloga Family
Saturday	10/02/2021	St.. Mary	12:00 PM	Richard Gagnon+	Betty Gagnon
Saturday	10/02/2021	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Edward Taylor+	Barbara Taylor
Sunday	10/03/2021	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Wayne Mahoney+	Richard and Lois Mahoney
Sunday	10/03/2021	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Mercedes Gibbons+	Tricia Smothers

Prayer Intentions for the Health and Recovery of our Parish Family...

God is our refuge and our strength, an ever present help in distress.
The Lord of hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob. (Ps. 46)



St. Mary's: Lorna Houts, Jim Simpson, Pat Baloga, Betty Gagnon, Barbara Taylor, Jack Dashper, Greg Garza, Steve Ruhlman, David Johnson, Patrick Schasser, Sherrie Goldman, Fran Birkhead, Jim McMillon, Pam McMillon, Roger Gibbons, James Davenport, Vicky Story, Jane Adams, Richard Mahoney, Allen York, Janet Robbearts, Barbara Harrison, Barbara Krupa, Mary Brown, Raul Simoes, Joyce Parker, Dan Ebeling, Polly Mitchell.

Holy Family: Karen Pierce, Dwayne Pierce, Jackie Eason, Mary Jane Klinzing, Nacho Ramirez, Donna Reindl, Garry Korbel, Johanna Salma, Dick Stokes, Teddy Brou, Tommy Long, Deborah Thorne, Carl Reetz, Paul Multon, Bill Harder, Leon Thorne, Mary Boucher, Sissy Munoz.

For Our Extended Family: Nancy Vargas, mother of Bob Vargas; Alex Reiter, grandson of Sharon Reiter; Mark King, nephew of Tricia Smothers; Barbara Gillespie, sister of Dan Ebeling; Carolyn Tedmore, sister of Pam McMillan; Susan, Mason and Ryan Schaffer; Kitty Shelton; Terry Pace; Jeff and Edna Henry; John Waters; Elizabeth Brown, sister of Barbara Taylor; Kaelynn Bressler, niece of Dan and Jean Ebeling; Ruel Carmicheal, son of Betty Gagnon; Patty Douglas, friend of Barbra Taylor; Arley McMillon, brother of Jim McMillon; Barbara and James Harrison, friends of Donna Melton; Richard Muenze, brother-in-law of Pam McMillon; Lucy Connolly, sister of Lila Korbel; Gerald Coltharp, family member of Craig & Kathy Coltharp; Gus Palmieri, friends of Jessica

Glendora; John H. Costello, brother of Pam McMillon; John Brinker, uncle of Carrie Etter; Extended family of Barbara Taylor; Carol Dilgard, friend of Fr. Charles Allen; Ruth Johnson, Aunt of Jean Ebeling; Dee Vohnoutka, sister of Garry Korbel; Anissa Jeanne Hendrix, Deacon Wayne Tedford's niece; Robert Vohnoutka, husband of Garry Korbel's sister; Debra Thibedau, sister of Betty Gagnon; Della Jungels, Carrie Etter's mother; Matthew Ebeling, son of Dan & Jean Ebeling; Charles Glover; Brenda Boodman.

For those on active duty in the military:

Kyle Bissen, grandson of Kenneth and Alma Bissen, Garry Brown, son-in-law of Greg and Grace Garza; Jonathan Placido, son-in-law of Arlene Conrad; Zakkary Klinzing, grandson of Mary Jane Klinzing; Eric Huot, husband of Lorna Johnson Huot; Brendon Dugger, son of Sigi & Tom Dugger and grandmother Bella Stahl; Joshua Parker, grandson of Willis & Joyce Parker; Thomas O'Bryant III, son of Thomas & Debbie O'Bryant; Daniel Stanfill, grandson of Grady & Diana Stanfill.