

St. Mary Catholic Church

January 22, 2023 Third 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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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

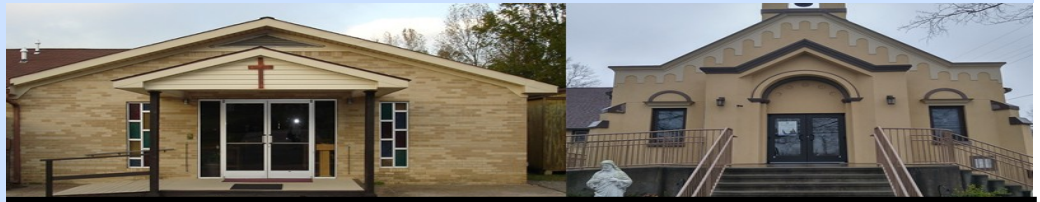
Secretary: Sandy Simpson

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Office Hours:

M, W, Th, F

11:00 AM—3:00 PM



A NEW ERA OF HOPE

From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." (Matt. 4:17)

In Matthew's Gospel we hear the first words spoken by our Lord as He begins His public ministry: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Up until this point, Matthew's Gospel presented us with Jesus' genealogy, His birth, the story of the Magi, the Holy Family's flight into Egypt, the slaughter of the Holy Innocents, Jesus' baptism, the preaching of Saint John the Baptist and Jesus' forty days in the desert. Now, after these introductory stories of Jesus' life, we enter into His public ministry.

Recall that John had just been imprisoned, thus concluding his public ministry. Therefore, the time for the preaching and ministry of the Son of God had arrived. And though Jesus continues the theme of repentance started by John, Jesus takes John's words further. Jesus adds something that John could not: "The kingdom of heaven is at hand."

It's important to understand this transition from the Old Testament prophets to the New Testament preaching of our Lord. The difference is that all that had been prophesied and pointed to in the Old Testament had now arrived.

As Jesus begins His preaching, His words are challenging but also very hopeful. By saying that "the kingdom of heaven is at hand," Jesus stirs interest and holy curiosity among His first listeners. His call to repentance was softened by His new proclamation about the Kingdom.

One helpful insight we can take from these first words of Jesus' public ministry that this is the best way to share the Gospel with those who do not yet follow Christ. Oftentimes, when we see someone living in serious sin, we want to judge and condemn. But usually what they need the most is hope—hope that there is something much greater that comes from repentance. Certainly we need to speak against sin. But one of the most effective ways to do so is by initially offering the listener hope of something much better than the sin with which they struggle—specifically, the hope of the Kingdom of God.

Reflect, today, upon the newness of the ministry of Jesus, the newness of the first proclamation of the Gospel. As you do, try to imagine the holy curiosity that many would have had as they first listened to Jesus preach. Soon He would follow up His preaching with many signs and wonders that would confirm His message. But at first, Jesus simply instilled a hope in His hearers. As you ponder this, think about those in your life who also need this initial sense of hope and holy curiosity about the Gospel and pray that God will inspire you and use you to be an instrument of this merciful message.

(My Catholic Life! Inc.)

"They Recognized Him in the Breaking of the Bread"

Retreats being held at Our Lady Queen of Peace

Why we believe in the Real Presence,
Transubstantiation, Fruits of Holy Communion and how
to prepare for the sacrament

- ♦ For the first time we will present the Eucharistic Stations
- ♦ **Men** Feb. 10-12, 2023
- ♦ **Women:** March 24-26, Aug. 4-6, 2023
- ♦ **Women & Men:** Jan. 13-15, 2023, Mar. 3-5, May 5-7, 2023
- ♦ Log on to **OLQPre retreats.com** & click on calendar
- ♦ Or call to register 731-548-2500

Bulletin Items

If you have an item that you would like to put in the bulletin, please have it sent to the office by Wednesday of each week. You can email it to Sandy at smchfhcatholic@gmail.com or call the office at 731-584-6459.

This is a good way to keep parishioners up to date on all that is happening.

National Conference for Single Catholics

A Dating Retreat and Study Series for single Catholics! NCSC is hosting a **FREE online Dating Retreat with guest speaker Fr. Robert Spitzer (January 27&28)**. Currently there are almost 400 single Catholics from around the world signed up and we're expecting 500+. Don't miss the opportunity to meet other like-minded single and go deeper in your faith! To sign up, visit NationalCatholicSingles.com

Quote of the Week:

"Do not lay too much store on the favorable judgements of men, for I love thee with a perfect love. I spent My earthy existence in humiliations and scorn and in a hidden life. It was thus that I glorified My Father, laid the foundations of My Church, and remedied the evils of pride. This is the path that thou must follow."

Our Lord to Blessed Maria Celeste Crostarosa

DATES TO REMEMBER :

January, 2023



January 23	St. Mary Pastoral Counsel Meeting (6 PM)
January 25	Holy Family Parish Counsel Meeting (12:30 PM)
January 25	Little Flowers Group (3:30 PM)

2022 Contribution Letters

The 2022 Contribution letters will ready by Monday, January 23. They can be picked up at the church office or they will be put in the mail on Wednesday, January 25. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sandy at: 731-584-6459. Thank you.



With food and gas prices rising, there are many who are in need and so many of us are more fortunate than others. The Food Banks in both Camden and Huntingdon are always in need of your assistance.

Food

Canned Soups	Canned Vegetables
Canned Spam	Cereal
Canned Spaghetti	Juice
Crackers	Cookies
Spaghetti Sauce	Spaghetti

Assorted Cleaning Supplies

Laundry Soap	Cleaning Supplies
Toothpaste	Shampoo
Bar Soap	Toilet Paper

KNIGHT'S NEWS



The Knight's of Columbus would like to congratulate the Knight of the Month; Deacon Wayne Tedford and the Family of the Month; Tom, Theresa, Patrick and Michael O'Connell. Thank you for all you do for your church and community.

Holy Family Thank You:

Sunday we took down our Christmas decorations. Almost everyone stayed and helped as is the nature of our Church family. While everyone buzzed about taking care of the task at hand, our beautiful little choir sang Christmas music. What an uplifting time it was! Thank you everyone.

"Old Palms"

Ash Wednesday is quickly approaching (February 22).

As in the past, Father Herbert will be using the old palms to make the ashes. If you have any old palms, bring them to church. Please place them at the back of either church and we will get them to Father. Thank you in advance for your support.



Women's Morning of Spirituality

Saturday, February 4, 2023 at Church of the Incarnation. Doors open with 7:15 Continental Breakfast. Program begins at 8:15; Mass 12:15. Keynote Speaker: Ann Leatherman. Witness Speaker; Cathy Reineking. Leading us in song: Marie-Stephane Bernard and Marie Miller. Bishop Terry Steib will be our Mass Celebrant. Register at <http://womensmorning.com/> or WMOS on Eventbrite. Please carpool. For more information, email wmosmemphis@gmail.com

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

01/15/2023

St. Mary —Enrollment	70
Regular Offering	\$1761.50
Families Contributing	18
Holy Family — Enrollment	45
Regular Offering	\$639.00
Families Contributing	14

ONE COLLECTION

1/29/2023

Offertory

Ministry Schedule for January 29, 2023

St. Mary Catholic Church

Lectors

Saturday: Jean Ebeling

Sunday: Theresa O'Connell

Eucharistic Ministers

Dan Ebeling (Sat.)

Theresa O'Connell (Sun.)

Sharon Latendresse (Sun.)

Sandy Simpson (Sun.)

Counters

Jeff and Sharon Latendresse

Holy Family Catholic Church

Lector

Sunday: Pat Allen

Gift Bearers

Luisa and Josselyn

Eucharistic Ministers:

Leah Koonce and Richelle Stokes

Counters

Tom O'Bryant and Richelle Stokes

Mass Intentions					
	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	01/21/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Dan and Jean Ebeling	Barbara Taylor
Sunday	01/22/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Cornelia Roach+	Stephen and Leah Koonce
Sunday	01/22/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	James and Debra Davenport	David Baloga
Monday	01/23/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Richard Wheatley+	Ladies Guild
Tuesday	01/24/2023			No Mass	
Wednesday	01/25/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Alex Reiter+	Dick and Toni Stokes
Thursday	01/26/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Nick Roach Sr.+	Stephen and Leah Koonce
Friday	01/27/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Joseph Scianni+	David Baloga
Saturday	01/28/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Michelle Martin+	Betty Gagnon
Sunday	01/29/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Nick Roach Jr.+	Stephen and Leah Koonce
Sunday	01/29/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Robert Saunders+	Jim and Sandy Simpson

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: Patty Russo, Joe Griggs, Kitty Shelton, Jim Simpson, Lorna Huot, Betty Gagnon, Barbara Taylor, Jack Dashper, Greg Garza, Steve Ruhlman, David Johnson, Patrick Schasser, Sherrie Goldman, Jim McMillon, Pam McMillon, Roger Gibbons, James Davenport, Vicky Story, Allen York, Janet Robbearts, Barbara Harrison, Mary Brown, Joyce Parker, Dan Ebeling, Polly Mitchell.

Holy Family: Anna Mills, Kamila Aldaytomaga, Debbie O'Bryant, Mary Jane Klinzing, Donna Reindl, Garry Korbel, Johanna Salma, Dick Stokes, Tommy Long, Deborah Thorne, Paul Multon, Bill Harder, Leon Thorne, Mary Boucher, Sissy Munoz.

For Our Extended Family: Carl Reetz, friend of Holy Family Parishioners; Don Parker, son of Joyce Parker; Becky Orr; Scott Henderson, friend of Craig and Kathy Coltharp; Samantha Moore, granddaughter of Barbara Taylor; Nancy Vargas, mother of Bob Vargas; Paul Harrison, friend of David McCloskey; Mark King, nephew of Tricia Smothers; Barbara Gillespie, sister of Dan Ebeling; Carolyn Tedmore, sister of Pam McMillan; Susan, Kitty Shelton; Terry Pace; Jeff and Edna Henry;

John Waters; 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; Gus Palmieri, friends of Jessica Glendora; John H. Costello, brother of Pam McMillon; John Brinker, uncle of Carrie Etter; Extended family of Barbara Taylor; Ruth Johnson, Aunt of Jean Ebeling; Dee Vohnoutka, sister of Garry Korbel; Anissa Jeanne Hendrix, Deacon Wayne Tedford's niece, Matthew Ebeling, son of Dan & Jean Ebeling; Charles Glover; Brenda Boodman.

For those on active duty in the military:

Kyle Moore, grandson of Barbara Taylor, Kyle Bissen, grandson of Kenneth and Alma Bissen, Jonathon 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.