

# St. Mary Catholic Church

April 23, 2023 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

## 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

### Director of Religious Education:

Tessa Walker

## Holy Family

### Catholic Mission

265 Cotham Drive  
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### Mailing Address:

220 W. Main Street  
Camden, TN 38320

### 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:** Theresa O'Connell

### Office Hours:

M, W, Th, F  
11:00 AM—3:00 PM



## A WALK WITH A STRANGER

This passage from today's Gospel reading describes an event that occurred on the first day of the week after Jesus' crucifixion and burial. Two of Jesus' disciples were walking to a village called Emmaus, discussing recent events, including Jesus' death and reports of His resurrection. They were joined by a stranger who they did not recognize as Jesus. The stranger engaged them in conversation and explained to them how the events of Jesus' life, death and resurrection were foretold by the Prophets. When they arrived at Emmaus, the disciples invited the stranger to stay with them, and He broke bread with them. At that moment, their eyes were opened, and they recognized the stranger as Jesus. However, He disappeared from their sight. The disciples immediately returned to Jerusalem to share the news with the other disciples who were gathered there. This event is significant as it is one of the post-resurrection appearances of Jesus and confirms the truth of His resurrection.

This particular passage helps us realize the necessity of having hope, faith, and a proper understanding of the transformative power of encountering the risen Christ. It also gives special prominence to the importance of recognizing Jesus through His teachings and in the breaking of bread, which is central to the Sacrament of the holy Eucharist.

Let us return to the specifics of these verses. It would seem that the two disciples who were walking to Emmaus had lost hope after Jesus' death, but the "stranger" who joined them on the road gave them a new understanding of the significance of Jesus' life and teachings. He explained to them that the suffering and death of Jesus were part of God's plan and that His resurrection was the fulfillment of prophecies in the Hebrew Scriptures. The disciples' hearts were stirred as they listened to Him, but as mentioned above, they did not recognize that it was Jesus who was speaking to them until he broke bread with them.

The breaking of bread was a significant moment in the story as it indicated our Lord's presence with the disciples and their recognition of Him. This moment transformed the disciples from being downcast and hopeless to being filled with joy and hope. It also reminds us of the importance of the Holy Eucharist, which is a sacrament that helps bring believers together in communion.

Our reading today teaches us that Jesus is present with us even when we may not realize it. It reminds us to have faith and to trust in God's plan, even in times of hardship and despair. It also highlights the transformative power of encountering the risen Christ and the importance of recognizing Him in the Holy Mass.

(Fr. Charles Allen)

## FYI

After 40 plus years, a much needed renovation is being done to the master bedroom, bathroom and guest bathroom in the rectory.



As the renovation progresses, it has been brought to our attention that we are in need of a complete bedroom set for the master bedroom. So, we are asking if parishioners from either Holy Family or St. Mary would like to donate financially to this cause. It would be most appreciated. Just put your donation in the offertory basket.



## 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 and deliver it to be distributed among those children in need throughout the schools in Huntingdon.. Please be generous and THANK YOU!



## Third Sunday of Easter— April 23, 2023

"Their eyes were opened and they recognized Him" Do you recognize Christ in your life and hope to make Him known to others? Perhaps you are being called to the priesthood or consecrated life. If you are considering this possibility, Visit <https://www.memphisvocations.com>. Call our Diocesan Office of Vocations at (901)373-1244, or write to: [VocationsDirector@vocations.cdom.org](mailto:VocationsDirector@vocations.cdom.org).

## DATES TO REMEMBER :

May, 2023



May 3	Little Flowers Group 3:30 pm
May 7	Fellowship Sunday (SM)
May 8	SM Ladies Guild Meeting
May 14	Hospitality Sunday (HF)
May 14	Last Day for PRE (SM)
May 17	Little Flowers Group 3:30 PM
May 17	KC Meeting (HF) 6:00 pm
May 20	Spring Bazaar (SM) 8:00 am

\*\* Hostesses for St. Mary May Fellowship Sunday are Michael Vance, Lindsay Moore and Annabella Hicks.

## Holy Family Hospitality Sunday

Holy Family's Hospitality Sunday has been changed from: Sunday, May 7 to Sunday May 14, Mother's Day. Hostesses are Sharon Reiter and Pat Long.

**St. Mary Parishioner:** Many have been concerned about the health and recovery of Larry Weibel. He has been moved to West TN Transitional Care, 597 Forest, Jackson. He is in Room A102. Please drop him a card to let him know that he is missed and in our prayers.

### Knights News:

Congratulations to the Knight of the Month, Bobby Wendt. Thank you for all you do for your church and community.



The Knights and St. Mary's Ladies Guild would like to thank all who supported the Fish Frys through food donations, labor or attendance. You are appreciated.

### Quote of the Week

" Faith is to believe what you do not see. The reward of faith is to see what you believe."

St. Augustine of Hippo



### "SPRING BAZAAR"

St. Mary's Ladies Guild will be sponsoring a Spring Bazaar on Saturday, May 20. At this time, they are renting table space for \$20.00 per table. Please contact Debra Davenport at 731-336-0259 or the church office at 731-584-6459 to reserve a table.

### AED Training

On Sunday, April 30 at 10:30 AM, Anna Mills will be conducting a class on how to use the AED equipment. Anna is a CPR Instructor and is inviting anyone interested to attend. The class will be held at Holy Family in the Father Joey Hall.

Please join **Jullienne Gail Salma** and her family on Sunday, April 23 at St. Mary, Camden for this special occasion as she receives her Confirmation. Our own Most Reverend Bishop P. Talley will be the officiate. All are invited to the reception that will be held after Mass in the Fellowship Hall.



### 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.



### WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Week Ending

04/16/2023

<b>St. Mary</b> —Enrollment	70
Regular Offering	\$1191.00
Families Contributing	14
<b>Holy Family</b> — Enrollment	45
Regular Offering	\$463.00
Families Contributing	15

### ONE COLLECTION

4/30/2023

Regular Offering

### Ministry Schedule

for April 30, 2023

#### St. Mary Catholic Church

##### Lectors

Saturday: Jean Ebeling

Sunday: Debra Davenport

##### Eucharistic Ministers

Dan and Jean Ebeling (Sat.)

Debra Davenport (Sun.)

Theresa O'Connell (Sun.)

Sandy Simpson (Sun.)

##### Counters

Tricia Smothers and Tricia Davenport

#### Holy Family Catholic Church

##### Lector

Sunday: Phyllis Wendt

##### Gift Bearers

Josselyn and Luisa

##### Eucharistic Ministers:

Pat Allen and Richelle Stokes

##### Counters

Dennis Blackwell and Wayne Tedford

## Mass Intentions

	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	04/22/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Dena Gagnon+	Betty Gagnon
Sunday	04/23/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Tommie Tedford	Jim and sandy Simpson
Sunday	04/23/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	TJ Haynes+	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Monday	04/24/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Cliff Johnson+	Tricia Smothers
Tuesday	04/25/2023			No Mass	
Wednesday	04/26/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Thursday	04/27/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Friday	04/28/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Cliff (Butch) Johnson+	Arlene Conrad
Saturday	04/29/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Barbara Taylor	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Sunday	04/30/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Tom Roach+	Stephen and Leah Koonce
Sunday	04/30/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Lottie and Arthur Nilson+	Dan and Jean Ebeling

### **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:** Larry Weibel, Craig Coltharp, Patty Russo, Joe Griggs, Kitty Shelton, 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:** Tommie Tedford, Dorothy Wood, 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:** Michael McCloskey, brother of David McCloskey; TJ Haines, John and Tammy Carroll, friend of Barbara Taylor, Susan Johnston, daughter-in-law of Barbara Taylor, Nicholas Carmichael, grandson of Betty Gagnon, 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; Mark King, nephew of Tricia Smothers; Barbara Gillespie, sister of Dan Ebeling; Carolyn Tedmore, sister of Pam McMillan; Susan, Kitty Shelton; Terry Pace; 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:**

Bridget Bissen, granddaughter of Kenneth and Alma Bissen, Hudson Hazlerig, grandson of Jay and Julia Johnson, 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.