# St. Mary Catholic Church April 9, 2023 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

#### St. Mary Catholic Church

220 West Main Street Camden, TN 38320 Office: 731-584-6459 Fax: 731-707-4100 Email: smchfhcatholic@gmail.com Website: stmaryscamden.org

#### 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 Huntingdon, TN 38344 731-584-6459

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



Pastor's Easter Message to Parishioners of St. Mary Catholic Church Camden and Holy Family Church Huntingdon, Tennessee, April 9, 2023

#### God is good! All the time!

My beloved people of God, I thank the Almighty God for giving us another opportunity to celebrate this year, God's tremendous love for us, his creatures. In our unworthiness, God the Father sent his Son to save the fallen humanity. This started when the **WORD** took **FLESH** in the womb of the **Blessed Virgin Mary** and dwelt among us. However, the expression of this **Divine Love** reached its summit in the events of the **Paschal Triduum**—the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ, hence, the great **EASTER story**.

On **Good Friday** was the story of betrayal and lies, dishonesty and meanness, unfaithfulness and wicked violence directed against an innocent and apparently helpless victim. Jesus was scourged, mocked, led on the death march, nailed to the Cross where he died after a few hours and hastily buried in a tomb. It would have been a bad story—a tragedy if that were the end of the story. But glory be to God it is not. Death is not the end of the story.

There is one more final chapter, a chapter of the story of Jesus rising from the dead in all glory and majesty. He is vindicated. His enemies are shamed and confused. Jesus regains his eternal glory with the Father. He is the Lord, who will prevail over all humankind, his enemies included. For us his embattled followers **this is good news.** That is why we can boldly sing with the Psalmist: **"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad"** (Psalm 118:24).

Brothers and sisters, we ought to rejoice **always in the Lord** even when we are going through very difficult times: through **betrayal**, **unjust discrimination**, **lies**, **misrepresentations**, **and economic meltdown**; even when the enemy seems to be winning the battle in our lives. Yes, we rejoice because our faith in Christ has been vindicated, truth has triumphed over falsity, justice over injustice and tragedy has turned into comedy.

It is good news to Know that **Truth is immortal.** We can suppress Truth, accuse it of being a lie, condemn it, torture it, kill it, and bury it in the grave but on the third day **Truth will rise again.** Remember this and do not give up on Truth even when everybody seems to give up on it. Do not give up on **Truth;** do not give up on **Justice.** Do not give up on doing what is right. True will always be true. We must learn to believe in the sun even when it is not shining; knowing that by and by it will shine again. Today **Christ has won.** And we know that in Christ we shall overcome. Remain ever blessed.

I wish you all a happy Easter for God is Good! All the Time!

Fr. Herbert Ene



## **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.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Johnson family on the death of Cliff (Butch) Johnson, husband of Mary Johnson and beloved father of Monique and Lorna. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.



## <u>FYI</u>

We are in the process of remodeling the rectory bathroom and Father's bedroom. There are items that have been removed from the bathroom such as the vanity, trim, etc. They are located back by the sheds. If you are in need or want any of these items, please take them.

## Easter Sunday— April 9, 2023

"Yes, Christ our hope is arisen!" Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers and sisters. If you think God may be inviting you to such a vocation, Visit <u>https://www.memphisvocations.com</u>. Call our Diocesan Office of Vocations at (901)373-1244, or write to: VocationsDirector@vocations.cdom.org.

## DATES TO REMEMBER : April, 2023

April 9	Easter Sunday
April 10	SM Ladies Guild 10:30 am
April 16	SM Baptism and Holy Communion
April 15	HF Crafters 9:30 am
April 19	Little Flower's Girls Club (3:30 pm)
April 19	KC Meeting 6:00 PM (St. Mary)

St. Mary will be having their annual Easter Egg Hunt immediately following Mass on Easter Sunday. All children between the ages of 1 year to 11 years are invited to come and enjoy in the fun.



## "Teaching Mass"

Imagine having your questions you have regarding The Holy Mass answered in a 1/2 day event at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat center.

A priest will explain all aspects, components, and rituals of The Holy Mass.

Saturday, **April 22, 2023.** log on to OLQPretreats.com & click on calendar <u>Or call to register: 731-548-2500 or email</u> <u>debbie.voyles@olqp.cdom.org</u>

## **"SPRING BAZAAR"**

St. Mary's Ladies Guild will be sponsoring a Spring Bazaar on Saturday, May 20. There will be an varied amount of items to choose from, such as; crafts, crochet items, starter plants, baked goods and assorted miscellaneous bargains. Lunch will also be available.

At this time, they are renting table space for \$20.00. Please contact Debra Davenport at 731-336-0259 or the church office at 731-584-6459 to reserve a table.



#### **Knights News**

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual State Convention in Franklin, TN on April 28-29.



They will be sponsoring a Bunco night on Saturday, April 22 at St. Mary in Camden immediately following 5:30 pm mass. Sloppy Joe's will be served for dinner. Donations accepted.

## Annual Catholic Appeal Update:

Thank you to all the Faithful across our Diocese who have made their gift to our Annual Catholic Appeal. We are now at more than 50 percent of our \$2.3 Million goal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please prayerfully consider participating in the support of our Faith family.

### Sacraments:

Please keep Annabella Kay Hicks in your prayers as she prepares to be Baptized and will receive Holy Eucharist on Sunday, April 16, and Jullienne Gail Salma who will be Confirmed on Sunday,

April 23.







## **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 at1-877-237-0004, 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 04/02/2023

St. Mary—Enrollment70Regular Offering\$1582.00Families Contributing19

Holy Family — Enrollment45Regular Offering\$1103.00Families Contributing16

ONE **COLLECTION** 4/16/2023

Regular Offering

Ministry Schedule for April 16, 2023

## St. Mary Catholic Church

Saturday: Ed Mireles Sunday: Theresa O'Connell

Eucharistic Ministers Ed Mireles and Andrea Vargas (Sat.) Deacon (Sun.) Theresa O'Connell (Sun.)

Beate Harris (Sun.) Counters

Dan and Jean Ebeling

Holy Family Catholic Church Lector Sunday: Leah Koonce

Gift Bearers

Tommy and Pat Long

Eucharistic Ministers:

Pat Allen and Karen Pierce Counters Wayne Tedford and Dennis Blackwell

Mass Intentions					
	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	04/08/2023	St. Mary	7:00 PM	Elizabeth Brown+	Barbara Taylor
Sunday	04/09/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Teddy Brou+	Sharon Reiter
Sunday	04/09/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Mark King	Tricia Smothers
Monday	04/10/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Winifred and Otto Ebeling+	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Tuesday	04/11/2023			No Mass	
Wednesday	04/12/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Carla Flaming	Tricia Smothers
Thursday	04/13/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Friday	04/14/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Larry Weibel	Jim and Sandy Simpson
Saturday	04/15/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Betty Gagnon	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Sunday	04/16/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Brian Churchhill+	Stephen and Leah Koonce
Sunday	04/16/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Tricia Smothers	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, nephew of Dan and Jean Ebeling, 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-inlaw 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.

God

### 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.