St. Mary Catholic Church

August 13, 2023 Nineteenth 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

Director of Religious Education:

Tessa Walker

Holy Family Catholic Mission

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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



EMBRACING DIVINE PEACE AND SALVATION

"I will hear what the Lord God will speak in me: for he will speak peace unto his people: And unto his saints: and unto them that are converted to the heart. Surely his salvation is near to them that fear him: that glory may dwell in our land." (Psalm 84:9-10, Douay-Rheims)

In the hustle and bustle of our daily lives, amidst the noise and chaos of the world, it is essential for us to pause and listen attentively to the voice of our Lord. The psalmist reminds us that God speaks peace to His people and to all those whose hearts are turned towards Him. In the stillness of our hearts, we can open ourselves to hear the gentle whisper of God. Just as Elijah encountered God not in the wind, earthquake, or fire but in a still, small voice (1 Kings 19:11-13), so too can we discern the voice of the Lord when we seek Him with a receptive heart. Through prayer, meditation, and Scripture, we create a space where God's peace can permeate our souls and guide our steps.

The psalmist speaks of those who are "converted to the heart." This conversion is a genuine turning towards God, a deliberate choice to align our desires, thoughts, and actions with His divine will. As we allow God's grace to transform us from within, we experience a renewal that leads us to a life of greater holiness and closeness to Him.

In this Psalm, we encounter the oft-used phase "fear of the Lord;" this does not refer to a fearful terror, but rather a deep reverence and awe for the majesty and goodness of God. When we approach God with humility and respect, acknowledging His sovereignty and love, we position ourselves to receive His abundant blessings. The psalmist assures us that God's salvation is near to those who fear Him. When we allow God's peace and salvation to take root in our lives, a transformation occurs.

(Fr. Charles)



For all who are interested in becoming Catholic, and for those who might know someone who would like to join the Catholic Faith, RCIA classes will begin on Thursday, September 7 at 6 pm. Or if you would like to learn more about your faith, you are also welcome to attend. Please contact the office at 731-584-6459 to register.

A Prayer for the New School Year

Heavenly Father, as we embark on a new academic year, we come before You with gratitude for the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead. We ask for Your guidance and blessings to encompass all who are part of this educational journey—students, teachers, and school staff.

For the students, grant them the wisdom to learn, the curiosity to explore, and the perseverance to overcome obstacles. May they be inspired by the pursuit of knowledge and growth, and may their hearts remain open to the lessons that extend beyond textbooks.

For parents, provide them with patience and understanding as they support their children's educational endeavors. Help them to nurture a loving and supportive home environment that encourages learning and fosters strong values.

Bless the teachers with the passion to educate, the ability to inspire, and the patience to guide their students along the path of discovery. May they find fulfillment in their vocation and continue to be a source of knowledge and inspiration to those who teach.

For school staff, grant them the strength and dedication to contribute to the smooth functioning of the educational institution. May their efforts behind the scenes create and environment conducive to learning and personal development.

We ask for Your protection over the school community, guarding against adversity and providing strength in times of challenges. May the bonds of camaraderie and respect flourish among all members, fostering a sense of unity and belonging.

As the academic year begins, we place our hopes and aspirations in Your hands, trusting that You will guide everyone through the paths of growth, understanding, and compassion. May the endeavors of everyone involved be marked by a genuine commitment to knowledge, service, and the well-being of one another. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen



Catholic Diocese of Memphis Marriage Preparation Workshop "To Be One in Flesh"

September 16, 2023 9 am to 3 pm St. Benedict at Auburndale 8250 Varnavas Dr., Cordova, TN 38016

Cost: \$135.00 per couple (paid in advance, online only). Register and pay at: www.cdom.org/ (Go to: cdom.org, select Events, then Events Calendar and then "To Be One In Flesh Workshop")

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.





St. Mary's 75th Anniversary October 8, 2023 Save the Date!

OUTSTRETCHED HANDS DURING OUR FATHER & EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS? OR NOT?

Should the congregation mirror the priest's hands while he prays the Eucharistic Prayers? Answer: No. According to the rubric (the instructions on how the Mass is to be conducted), only the priest should have outstretched arms during the Eucharistic Prayers and the Consecration. Each gesture of the priest has meaning. His role is different than that of the congregation, who should be praying with their palms together, fingers intertwined or palm to palm. If this is physically difficult, the parishioner can just bow his or her head with arms at their side.

If two priests were concelebrating the Mass, we should watch the hands of the priest who is standing to the side for our cues. Except when he is participating in the Consecration and holding his hands towards the Body and Blood of Christ, he adopts the gestures of the congregation.

Now we know...the rest of the story!

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time— August 6, 2023

"Get hold of yourselves! It is I. Do not be afraid!" Uncertainty can sometimes bring fear along with God's call to consecrated life or priesthood. If the Lord is truly calling you, what is needed is trust. If you are discerning your vocation,

Visit: https://www.memphisvocations.com. Call our Diocesan Office of Vocations at (901)373-1244.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY Week Ending

08/06/2023

St. Mary—Enrollment 70

Weekly Budget \$3133.17 Regular Offering \$3122.64

- 10.53

Families Contributing 26

Holy Family — Enrollment 45

Weekly Budget \$1738.55 Regular Offering \$1445.00

- 293.55

Families Contributing 18

ONE COLLECTION

8/20/2023 Regular Offering

Ministry Schedule

for August 20, 2023

St. Mary Catholic Church

Lectors

Saturday: Joyce Rushing Sunday: Theresa O'Connell

Eucharistic Ministers

Joyce Rushing and Andrea Vargas (Sat.)

Theresa O'Connell (Sun.) Tricia Smothers (Sun.) Sharon Latendresse (Sun.)

Counters

Jeff and Sharon Latendresse

Holy Family Catholic Church

Lector

Sunday: Mary Elisabeth Korbel Sereg

Gift Bearers

The Korbel/Sereg Family

Eucharistic Ministers:

Pat Long and Otilia Mendez

Counters

Wayne Tedford and Dennis Blackwell

Mass Intentions					
	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	08/12/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Richard and Adele Howerton	Jim and Sandy Simpson
Sunday	08/13/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Clayton & Carley Rush Family	Sharon Reiter
Sunday	08/13/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Stephen Kyle Davis	Greg and Grace Garza
Monday	08/14/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Sandy Simpson	Tricia Smothers
Tuesday	08/15/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Assumption of Mary (Holy Day)	
Tuesday	08/15/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Assumption of Mary (Holy Day)	
Wednesday	08/16/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Dallas Butler Family	Sharon Reiter
Thursday	08/17/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	James "Mark" Whitaker+	Sharon Reiter
Friday	08/18/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Angie Beck	Greg and Grace Garza
Saturday	08/19/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Patricia Frye+	Betty Gagnon
Sunday	08/20/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Marko and Yaka Prizmich+	Sharon Reiter
Sunday	08/20/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Charles and Esther Lomax+	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: 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: Dwayne Pierce, Tommie Tedford, Dorothy Wood, Anna Mills, Kamila Cerda, 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: Nancy Engerski, cousin of
Jean Ebeling, Michael McCloskey, brother of David
McCloskey; TJ Haines, John and Tammy Carroll, friend of
Barbara Taylor, Susan Johnston, daughter-in-law of
Barbara Taylor, 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;

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; Joshua Parker, grandson of Willis & Joyce Parker; Thomas O'Bryant III, son of Thomas & Debbie O'Bryant; Daniel Stanfill, grandson of Grady & Diana Stanfill.