

# St. Mary Catholic Church

October 22, 2023 Twenty Ninth 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

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



## PRAYING FOR OTHERS

Prayer is a divine gift, a means for us to communicate with our Lord and a way to connect with one another in the love of Christ. Specifically, to pray for others is a powerful expression of our faith, a way to fulfill our Lord's command to love our neighbors ourselves.

Scriptures abound with guidance on the importance of intercessory prayer. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus teaches us, "Love your enemies: do good to them that hate you: and pray for them that persecute and calumniate you." (Matthew 5:44) This call to pray for others, even those who do harm or oppose us, demonstrates the life-changing power of prayer. When we place others in prayer, we invite God's grace into their lives and become instruments of His love and mercy.

One of the most beautiful aspects of praying for others is that it redirects our concern away from our own needs and desires. It shifts our focus from self-centered prayers and encourages us to think about the wellbeing of those around us. When we intercede for someone, we essentially say, "I care about you, and I want the best for you." This selfless act reflects the love that Christ has for us and strengthens our bonds as members of the Church.

Intercessory prayer also reminds us of our role as stewards of God's love and mercy in the world. Through our prayers, we can offer comfort to the suffering, hope to the despairing, and healing to the broken. We have the privilege of approaching God on behalf of those who may not know how or cannot approach Him themselves. In doing so, we become co-workers with God in His divine plan of reconciliation.

Let's not forget that our prayers for others should extend beyond our friends and loved ones. We are called to pray for all people, especially those who are marginalized, suffering, or in need. Our prayers should encompass the entire human family, regardless of race, nationality, or creed. In this way, we emulate the boundless love of God, who desires the salvation and well-being of all.

As we reflect on the significance of praying for others, let us not underestimate the impact of our prayers. Our words, spoken in faith, have the power to transform lives, bring comfort to the afflicted, and draw people closer to our Lord. Therefore, let us continue to lift one another up in prayer, that we may be instruments of God's love and mercy in this world.

Remember the words of St. James: "The continual prayer of a just man availeth much." (James 5:16) Our prayers can indeed be powerful and effective. May our hearts be open to the needs of others, and may our prayers be a source of hope and healing in a world that so desperately needs God's love.

(Rev. Fr. Charles Allen)

## KNIGHT'S NEWS



Congratulations to the Knight of the Month; Dennis Blackwell and the Family of the Month; the Vargas Family. Thank you for all you do for your church and community.

**Imagine having all the questions you have regarding "The Holy Mass" answered in a half-day event hosted at Our Lady of Peace Retreat Center.**

Would you like to have a deeper understanding of the spirituality of the Mass?

Would you like to live out the Mass more fully in your daily life?

At this event Priests will explain all the aspects, components, and rituals of The Holy Mass.

At the end of Mass there will be a Q & A session.

**This single day event will be held twice.**

**Saturday November 4, 2023 or Saturday February 24, 2024**

Log on to register at <https://www.olqpretreats.com> or email [Debbie.Voyles@olqp.cdom.org](mailto:Debbie.Voyles@olqp.cdom.org)

## 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!

Please pray for the success of our Diocese's Strategic Pastoral Planning process and participate in one of the 12 scheduled Listening Session (s) in our Deanery.



Our Parish is in the **NORTHERN** Deanery

You can also complete the online survey at : <https://cdom.org/strategic-pastoral-planning/>



**October, 2023**

October 21	Holy Family Crafters 9:30 AM
October 25	Little Flower Group (SM) 3:45 PM



## *Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center Fall Retreats*

Theme: They Recognized Him in the Breaking of the Bread

Women's Retreat: November 10-12

To Register: [debbie.voyles@olqp.org](mailto:debbie.voyles@olqp.org)  
or  
731-548-2500



## **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.



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## REAPING in the HARVEST

### MASS FOR HEALING THE WHOLE PERSON

Thursday, Oct 26th 2023 at the Church of the Holy Spirit 7pm.  
2300 Hickory Crest Drive  
Memphis, TN  
Confessions prior to Mass.

### Holy Family News!!!

#### “Picture Directory”

Holy Family has scheduled their directory pictures to be taken on October 29, November 5 (Hospitality Sunday), and November 12. The background will be grey and they will be asking the families to fill out an information card to be used just for the church directory information. Please give the cards to either Bennette Brou or Anna Mills. They are asking for all parishioners to be involved.



### Sacraments:

The beauty of the sacraments especially the Eucharist, calls us to an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus Christ, living and present among us. Let us seek a more profound faith that Jesus Christ who walked among us two thousand years ago remains with us as he promised. The sacraments are Christ, calling us to live His sacrificial love in all our interactions with other members of His Body the Church. May our Lord bless you and may Our Blessed Mother intercede for you as you continue to grow in faith, hope and charity.

### WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Week Ending  
10/15/2023

<b>St. Mary</b> —Enrollment	70
Weekly Budget	\$3133.17
Regular Offering	\$ 974.00
	-2159.17
Families Contributing	14

<b>Holy Family</b> — Enrollment	45
Weekly Budget	\$1738.55
Regular Offering	\$ 972.00
	- 766.55
Families Contributing	17

### TWO COLLECTIONS

10/29/2023  
Regular Offering/Faith Catholic

### Ministry Schedule for October 29, 2023

#### St. Mary Catholic Church

##### Lectors

Saturday: Joyce Rushing  
Sunday: Tricia Smothers

##### Eucharistic Ministers

Joyce Rushing and Andrea Vargas (Sat.)  
Beate Harris (Sun.)  
Debra Davenport (Sun.)  
Michael Vance (Sun.)

##### Counters

Tricia Smothers and Debra Davenport

#### Holy Family Catholic Church

##### Lector

Sunday: Tom O’Bryant

##### Gift Bearers

The Castelan Family

##### Eucharistic Ministers:

John Edwards and Pat Allen

##### Counters

John Edwards and Wyatt Brooks

	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	10/21/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Kendall Roudebush+	Barbara Taylor
Sunday	10/22/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Deborah Thorne	Stephen and Leah Koonce
Sunday	10/22/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Nancy Engerski	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Monday	10/23/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Communion Service	
Tuesday	10/24/2023	No Mass	12:00 PM		
Wednesday	10/25/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Ron Reiter+	Sharon Reiter
Thursday	10/26/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Sharon Reiter	Tricia Smothers
Friday	10/27/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Michael J. Baloga	David Baloga
Saturday	10/28/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Nancy Engerski	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Sunday	10/29/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Wayne and Tommie Tedford	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Sunday	10/29/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Juue Michel	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:** Jack Dashper, Mickey Baloga, 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, 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.