

St. Mary Catholic Church

November 26, 2023 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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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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



UNWAVERING FAITHFULNESS

The faithfulness of God is a subject that resonates throughout the Scriptures, echoing in the corridors of time, a testament to the divine constancy that has guided us through the ages. In the Book of Genesis, we are reminded of the covenant that God established with Abraham. Through the passage of time, through trials and tribulations, the Lord remained steadfast in His promise. The journey of the Israelites, as chronicled in the Exodus, portrays a pilgrimage marked by divine guidance, a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. In the midst of the wilderness, God's faithfulness illuminated their path and sustained them.

The Psalms, those timeless hymns of praise and lament, resound with the melodies of gratitude for God's unwavering faithfulness. "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want," declares Psalm 23, encapsulating the profound assurance of God's provision and care. The prophets, messengers of divine truth, spoke of God's faithfulness even in times of rebellion and waywardness. Hosea's life, symbolizing God's enduring love for a wayward people, vividly illustrates the commitment that transcends human failings.

As we look into the New Testament, the pinnacle of the Father's faithfulness is revealed in our Lord Jesus Christ. The Incarnation, the Word becoming flesh, is the ultimate manifestation of God's fidelity to His creation. In Christ we see the fulfillment of promises, the embodiment of divine love, and the sacrifice that redeems humanity.

The Church, born of the Spirit on Pentecost, stands as a living testimony to God's faithfulness. Through centuries of challenges, persecutions, and internal struggles, the Church endures, guided by the Holy Spirit. The sacraments are visible signs of an invisible grace, tangible expressions of God's faithfulness to His people.

In our own lives, let us contemplate God's faithfulness and the many ways we see it being demonstrated. In moments of joy, He rejoices with us. In times of sorrow, His comforting presence envelops us. The ups and downs of life do not alter the constancy of God's faithfulness. Let us emulate the faithfulness of our Heavenly Father. May we be steadfast in our commitment to love and mercy. In doing so, we mirror the divine attributes that characterize the essence of our Creator.

Let's remember the words of the Apostle Paul: "He is faithful who hath called you, who also will do it." (1 Thessalonians 5:24). The faithfulness of God is a living reality, a great light that shines on our pilgrim path. Let us, therefore, walk in the footsteps of our faithful God, trusting that, as Philippians 1:6 says, "being confident of this very thing, that he, who hath begun a good work in you, will perfect it unto the day of Jesus Christ."

(Rev. Charles Allen)



First Friday of the Month December 1

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 9:00 am and Mass will begins at 12:00 pm.

First Saturday of the Month December 2

Mass, recitation of the scriptural rosary and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Mass begins at 9:00 am.

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!

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 on:

Saturday February 24, 2024

Log on to register at <https://www.olqpretreats.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.



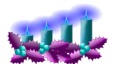
CATHOLIC DIOCESE of MEMPHIS



- December 2 *Holy Family Ladies Luncheon 11:00 am (Mallards)*
- December 3 *Hospitality Sunday (HF) (Hostesses Benette Brou and Sharon Reiter)*
- December 6 *HF Finance Council Meeting (12:30 PM)*
- December 11 *Ladies Guild (SM) 10:00 am*
- December 12 *Holy Family Christmas Party (5:30 pm)*
- December 13 *Little Flowers Group 3:45 pm*
- December 13 *Knights of Columbus Meeting (HF) 6 pm*
- December 16 *Holy Family Crafty Ladies (9:30 am)*
- December 17 *St. Mary Christmas Party (12:30 pm)*

*Adoration at Holy Family in Huntingdon is held every Thursday. Will notify if cancelled.

ADVENT SCHEDULE



- August 3 *1st Sunday in Advent*
- December 11 *Penance Service 5:30 pm (St. Andrew , Lexington)*
- December 13 *Penance Service 5:30 pm (St. Regina, Parsons)*
- December 14 *Penance Service 5:30 pm (Holy Family, Huntingdon)*
- December 15 *Penance Service 5:30 pm (St. Mary, Camden)*
- December 24 *Christmas Eve Mass 7:00 pm (St. Mary, Camden)*



**Holy Family Ladies
2023 Annual Cookie Exchange and Luncheon**

**at Mallard’s Restaurant, Huntingdon
(Dutch Treat)**

**Saturday, December 2, 2023
11:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**There is a sign-up sheet in back of the church or
RSVP to Bennette at 731-431-4162**



“Lights for Christ”

On the first Tuesday of December each year, the Knights of Columbus celebrate “Lights for Christ” all across the United States. Our Knights will be serving a chili supper and lighting the nativity on Tuesday, December 5, at St. Mary. Dinner will be served at 6 PM and the lighting will follow. All parishioners from both Holy Family and St. Mary are invited to share in this wonderful tradition.

First Sunday of Advent

“We are the clay and you are the potter; we are all the work of your hands”

Being chosen to serve God’s people is an amazing work of the Lord. May the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation.

Visit: www.memphisvocations.com
Call the Diocesan Office of Vocations at (901) 373-1244, or write to: vocationsDirector@vocations.cdom.org.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

**Week Ending
11/12/2023**

St. Mary—Enrollment 70
Weekly Budget \$3133.17
Regular Offering \$1451.00
-1682.17

Families Contributing 17

Holy Family — Enrollment 45
Weekly Budget \$1738.55
Regular Offering \$1001.00
- 737.55

Families Contributing 11

**TWO COLLECTIONS
12/03/2023**

**Ministry Schedule
December 3, 2023**

St. Mary Catholic Church

Lectors

Saturday: Joyce Rushing
Sunday: Dan Ebeling

Eucharistic Ministers:

Andrea and Bob Vargas (Sat.)
Dan Ebeking (Sun.)
Jean Ebeling (Sun.)
Lindsay Moore (Sun.)

Counters:

Debra Davenport and Tricia Smothers

Holy Family Catholic Church

Lector

Sunday: John Edwards

Gift Bearers

Kim Leitl

Eucharistic Ministers:

Bennette Brou, Richelle Stokes

Counters:

Wyatt Brooks and Wayne Tedford

	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	11/25/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Jim McMillon	Pam McMillan
Sunday	11/26/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Holy Family Parishioner	
Sunday	11/26/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Otto and Winifred Ebeling	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Monday	11/27/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	St. Mary Parishioners	
Tuesday	11/28/2023	No Mass	12:00 PM		
Wednesday	11/29/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Thursday	11/30/2023	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Friday	12/01/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	St. Mary Parishioners	
Saturday	12/02/2023	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Edward Taylor	Barbara Taylor
Saturday	12/02/2023	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Richard Gagnon	Betty Gagnon
Sunday	12/03/2023	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Alex Reiter+	Sharon Reiter
Sunday	12/03/2023	St. Mary	10:45 AM	St. Mary Parishioners	

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: Father Herbert, Nydia Hernandez, 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 Korbelt, Johanna Salma, Dick Stokes, Tommy Long, Deborah Thorne, Paul Multon, Leon Thorne, Mary Boucher, Sissy Munoz.

For Our Extended Family: Katy Walker, mother of Patrick Walker; 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 Barbara 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 Korbelt; 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 Korbelt; 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.

December Birthdays



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December 3	Lucia Bertrand
December 5	Eli Latendresse
December 5	Phyllis Wendt
December 7	Michael Shellooe
December 9	Dennis Blackwell
December 12	Luisa Bautista
December 13	Stephen Koonce
December 14	Brenda LeFever
December 20	Pedro Mendez
December 21	Karen Johnson
December 21	Toni Stokes
December 22	Mary Jane Klinzing
December 24	Barbara Taylor
December 25	John A. Waters

December Anniversaries



December 12	Mark and Dorothy Wood
December 19	Stephen and Kathey Trull
December 28	Jeff and Sharon Latendresse
December 31	Allen and Pam Warren
December 31	Greg and Grace Garza

