

# St. Mary Catholic Church

April 28, 2024 Fifth 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  
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:

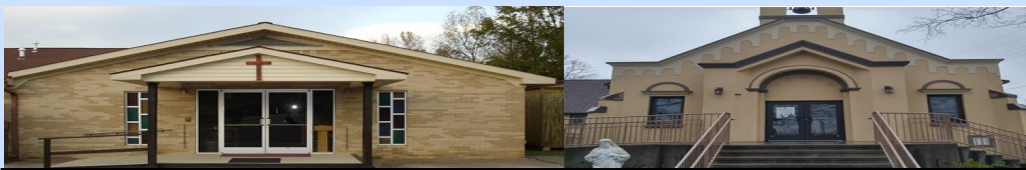
Dorothy Wood

## STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Herbert Ene  
**Associate Pastor:** Michael Okata  
**Deacon:** Wayne Tedford  
**Secretary:** Sandy Simpson  
**Accounting:** Theresa O'Connell

### Office Hours:

M, W, Th, F  
11:00 AM—3:00 PM



## THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS—PART 6

In the sacred bond of marriage, couples begin their journey of commitment, guided by the divine principles of the Bible and the faith. Through the Sacrament of Matrimony, they not only pledge their devotion to one another but also affirm their dedication to God and His eternal values. For people in the world, marriage is often thought of as a mere social contract or legal union; but as Catholics, we know it is a sacred covenant established by God Himself. From the beginning of creation, God ordained marriage as a holy institution, declaring, "It is not good for man to be alone: let us make him a help like unto himself." (Genesis 2:18) In the union of husband and wife, God's divine plan for companionship, unit, and pro-creation unfolds.

The Sacrament of Matrimony is imbued with a deep spiritual significance. As couples exchange vows before God and His Church, they make a public declaration of their commitment, promising to love, honor, and cherish each other in all circumstances. This sacred exchange of vows mirrors the covenantal relationship between Christ and His Church, symbolizing the selfless love and sacrificial devotion that characterize Christian marriage. The sacramentality of marriage extends beyond the couple themselves. Through their union, spouses become living witnesses of God's love and fidelity to the world. As they nurture their relationship with patience, kindness, and humility, they reflect the divine attributes of compassion, forgiveness, and grace. In this way, marriage becomes a flame of inspiration, shining forth God's light in the dark world.

Central to the sacramental nature of marriage is the couple's dedication to God and His values. By inviting God into their relationship as the foundation of their love, couples bring their lives within God's will, seeking His guidance and wisdom in every aspect of their marriage. Through prayer, worship, and participation in the sacramental life of the Church, they deepen their spiritual bond with one another and with God, drawing strength and nourishment from the wellspring of grace.

In a culture that diminishes the sanctity of marriage, the Sacrament of Matrimony stands as a counter-cultural witness to the enduring power of love rooted in faith. It reminds us that true fulfillment and happiness are found not in self-gratification or fleeting pleasure but in the self-giving love that mirrors the love Christ Himself. As couples embrace the divine gift of marriage and commit themselves to God's plans, they discover a genuine joy and fulfillment that transcends earthy trials and tribulations.

(Rev. Fr. Charles Allen)

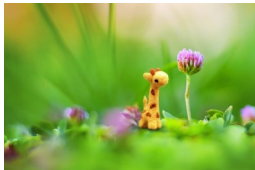


### Priest Assignments

The most Reverend Bishop David P. Talley telephoned Father Herbert with the news that he would continue on as Holy Family and St Mary's Pastor, and Father Michael Okata will remain as our Parochial Vicar for the 2024-2025 year. We appreciate and are happy for you both.

### *Welcome Little One !!!*

We would like to welcome the newest member at St. Mary's Church, Harrison Jude Guajardo who was born on March 26 th at 7:57 pm weighing in at 7 lbs. 8 oz. and 21 inches long. He is the son of Joshua and Lisa-Marie Guajardo and grandson of Beate Harris.



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/>

### **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.



### **MAY, 2024**

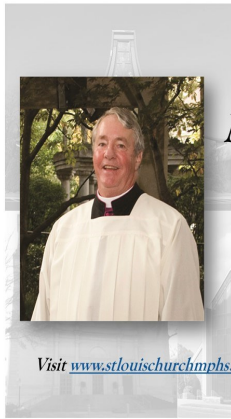
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| May 1  | Little Flowers Meeting<br>3:45 pm           |
| May 1  | St. Mary Finance Council Meeting 6 pm       |
| May 5  | Hospitality Sunday (HF)                     |
| May 5  | Fellowship Sunday (SM)                      |
| May 8  | Holy Family Parish Council Meeting 12:30 pm |
| May 11 | Little Flowers Tea                          |
| May 12 | Last Day for PRE Classes/<br>Mother's Day   |
| May 13 | SM Ladies Guild Meeting<br>10:30 pm         |
| May 15 | KC Meeting (SM) 6:00 pm                     |
| May 18 | Holy Family Crafters<br>9:30 am             |

Hostesses for Hospitality Sunday in May are: Leah Koonce and Pat Long

Hostesses for Fellowship Sunday are: Sandy Simpson, Shelia Melton and Mary Johnson.

### **"Holy Hour of Prayer for Priests"**

All are invited-Clergy, Laity and all community members! Please join us May 5 at 4:00 pm at our beautiful Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 4851 Park Ave., Memphis. Vespers will be at 5:00 pm for those who wish to stay. The Holy Hour is sponsored by our Diocese's Vianney Cenacle of Prayer for Priests of Memphis, an apostolate of the Foundation for Priests.



*Celebrating 50 Years of  
Ordination to the Priesthood*

**Msgr. John B. McArthur**

*Mass of Thanksgiving*

*Thursday, May 23, 2024 • 6:30 pm  
St. Louis Catholic Church  
Reception to follow*

Visit [www.stlouischurchmphs.org](http://www.stlouischurchmphs.org) or click on the QR code to RSVP



**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**

**Week Ending**

4/21/2024

<b>St. Mary</b> —Enrollment	70
Regular Offering	\$1824.44
Families Contributing	19
<b>Holy Family</b> — Enrollment	47
Regular Offering	\$699.00
Families Contributing	16

**TWO COLLECTIONS**

5/05/2024

Regular Offertory/Building Fund

**Welcome Home Larry!**

Larry Weibel, a St. Mary Parishioner has been in the hospital and rehab for over a year. He finally got to come home on Wednesday. We are so happy to have him back home, and know that he is even happier being there.



Donna Reindl	5/4
Erin-Ortega Simpson	5/6
Tessa Walker	5/9
Sieglinde Dugger	5/10
Sherrie Goldman	5/18
Deborah Thorne	5/23
Larry Weibel	5/24
Angie Reyes	5/25
Jeff Latendresse	5/26
Barry Raidt	5/30
Ignacio Ramirez	5/31



James and Debra Davenport	5/7
Jack and Mary Dashper	5/29

**Ministry Schedule**

May 5, 2024

**St. Mary Catholic Church**

*Lectors*

Saturday: Joyce Rushing

Sunday: Jean Ebeling

*Eucharistic Ministers:*

Joyce Rushing/Andrea Vargas (Sat)

Jean Ebeling (Sun.)

Dan Ebeling (Sun.)

Michael Vance( Sun.)

*Counters:*

*Dan and Jean Ebeling*

**Holy Family Catholic Church**

*Lector*

Sunday: Anna Mills

*Eucharistic Ministers:*

Karen Pierce and Richelle Stokes

*Counters:* Wyatt Brooks and Wayne Tedford

	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	04/27/2024	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Pinkie + and Tat Thornsburg+	Steve and Jackie Ruhlman
Sunday	04/28/2024	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Barbara Ann Vogel+	Steve and Leah Koonce
Sunday	04/28/2024	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Ashley Ray	Robert Kryszak
Monday	04/29/2024	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Paul Ruhlman+	Steve and Jackie Ruhlman
Tuesday	04/30/2024	No Mass	12:00 PM		
Wednesday	05/01/2024	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Thursday	05/02/2024	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Friday	05/03/2024	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Barb Byrd+	Ernie and Stacy Byrd
Saturday	05/04/2024	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Richard Gagnon+ and Edward Taylor+	Betty Gagnon and Barbara Taylor
Sunday	05/05/2024	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Angel Gariel Hurtado+	Andrew and Veronica Novotny
Sunday	05/05/2024	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Tricia Smothers	Barbara Taylor

### **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:** Kenneth Smothers, Steve Ruhlman, Jackie Ruhlman, Father Herbert, Nydia Hernandez, Mickey Baloga, Larry Weibel, Craig Coltharp, Patty Russo, Joe Griggs, Kitty Shelton, Lorna Huot, Betty Gagnon, Barbara Taylor, Jack Dashper, Greg Garza, Patrick Schasser, Sherrie Goldman, Pam McMillon, Roger Gibbons, James Davenport, Vicky Story, Allen York, Janet Robbearts, Barbara Harrison, Mary Brown, Joyce Parker, Dan Ebeling, Polly Mitchell.

**Holy Family:** Lila Korbel, Barry Raidt, Tommie Tedford, Dorothy Wood, Anna Mills, Kamila Cerda, Mary Jane Klinzing, Donna Reindl, Garry Korbel, Johanna Salma, Dick Stokes, Tommy Long, Deborah Thorne, Paul Multon, Leon Thorne, Sissy Munoz.

**For Our Extended Family:** John Parker, son of Joyce Parker; Katy Walker, mother of Patrick Walker; Nancy Engerski, cousin of Jean Ebeling; TJ Haines, John and Tammy Carroll, friends 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 Tedore, sister of Pam McMillan; Kitty Shelton;

Terry Pace; John Waters; Kaelynn Bressler, niece of Dan and Jean Ebeling; Ruel Carmicheal, son of Betty Gagnon; Barbara and James Harrison, friends of Donna Melton; Lucy Connolly, sister of Lila Korbel; Gus Palmieri, friends of Jessica Glendora; 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.