

St. Mary Catholic Church

October 27, 2024 Thirteenth 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

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Holy Family

Catholic Mission

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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



ENDURING THROUGH CHRIST

In these trying times, many are shaken by the events unfolding around us. From the widespread moral decay to the blatant attacks on our faith, it can feel as though darkness is closing in. However, we know that these trials are not the end of the story. Rather, they are part of the battle we must endure to remain steadfast in Christ. We are called to cling to the Cross, to remain firm in our faith, and to trust that God's providence will guide us through the storm.

Our Lord said in the Gospel of John, "In the world you face persecution. But take courage; I have conquered the world!" (John 16:33) It is a reminder that Christ has already conquered sin, death, and every power of darkness. Our Savior has already won the victory. Though the world rages, we must remain anchored in the hope of this victory.

St. Paul also urges us to persevere in these trials: "let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up." (Galatians 6:9) The temptations of the world—whether they be distractions, fear, or the desire for comfort—are designed to make us lose sight of the eternal reward. Yet, we are called to press on. Though the way may seem narrow and difficult, our faith promises that the reward is infinitely greater than any earthly hardship we face.

How do we endure Christ? First, by staying faithful to prayer. Prayer connects us to the Source of all grace. It strengthens us, reminding us that we do not face these challenges alone but with Christ Himself. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the holy rosary, and time spent in quiet prayer before the blessed Sacrament are indispensable weapons in this spiritual battle. Second, we must nourish ourselves with the Word of God. It guides us and reminds us of God's promises, His commandments, and His call to holiness. Also, we must trust in the Providence of God. He sees what we cannot. He knows the ultimate good that will come from all trials, even when we cannot. Trusting in His will is essential for enduring hardship without despair.

The world will continue to try and pull us away from Jesus. It will offer comfort, ease, and the illusion of happiness. But let us not be deceived. Our path, though difficult, leads to eternal joy. Christ is the Light in the darkness. In Him, we will always find strength to endure, hope in our suffering, and ultimately, salvation.

(Rev. Fr. Charles)

Beloved parishioner from Holy Family, Ramona Loggains passed away on Monday October 21. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends. May God hold her forever in His loving embrace.



Holy Family Crafters will be having a craft sale on Sunday, November 3 during Hospitality Sunday. Please come and support your crafters

Holy Family Christmas Party



Date: Tuesday, December 10
Where: Holy Family Father Joey Hall
Time: Appetizers 5:30 pm
 Dinner 6:00 pm

**Sign up for the Holy Family Christmas Party beginning October 20.

For Sale

St. Mary's Ladies Guild is selling cookbooks and Madagascar Bean Vanilla. Christmas will be here before you know it. Call the office at 731-584-6459 if you are interested in purchasing either.

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.



- November 1 All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)
- November 2 All Souls Day
- November 3 Hospitality Sunday (HF)
- November 3 Fellowship Sunday (SM)
- November 6 Little Flowers Girls Club (SM) 3:45 pm
- November 9-10 Thanksgiving Baskets Collection (SM)
- November 11 Ladies Guild Meeting (SM) 10:30 am
- November 11 Veterans Day Celebration (SM) 5:00 pm
- November 16 Holy Family Crafters 9:30 am
- November 16-17 Thanksgiving Baskets Collection (SM)
- November 18 St. Mary Parish Council/ Finance Council 6:00 pm
- November 20 Knights of Columbus (SM) 6:00 pm
- November 20 Little Flowers Girls Club (SM) 3:45 pm

**Hostesses for Holy Family Hospitality Sunday are Bennett Brou and Sharon Reiter.

**Hostesses for St. Mary Fellowship Sunday are Tricia Smothers, Shelia Melton, Maxine and Freya Walker.

ATTENTION!

November First Friday and First Saturday have been cancelled due to All Saints Day on Friday, November 1. All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation.. Mass schedules are as follows:

Friday, November 1 (All Saints Day—Holy Day of Obligation)

HF 12:00 pm
SM 5:00 pm

Saturday, November 2 (All Souls Day)

HF 12:00 pm
SM 5:00 pm

Halloween Party/Trunk or Treat

St. Mary's PRE children will be having a Halloween Party on Thursday, October 31 from 5 pm to 7 pm. They will also be trunk or treating for the community in front of the church and are asking for donations of bags of candy to pass out to the community children along with adult volunteers to help that night. Please give the donated candy to Tessa Walker or bring to the office. You can also let Tessa know if you are able help that.



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/>



WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Week Ending

10/20/2024

St. Mary—Enrollment 64
Regular Offering \$1549.00

Families Contributing 14

Holy Family — Enrollment 54

Regular Offering \$562.00

Families Contributing 9

TWO COLLECTIONS

11/3/2024

Regular Offertory/Building Fund

Ministry Schedule

November 3, 2024

St. Mary Catholic Church

Lectors

Saturday: Joyce Rushing

Sunday: Walter Melton

Eucharistic Ministers:

Joyce R. and Andrea V. (Sat)

Shelia Melton (Sun.)

Walter Melton (Sun.)

Counters:

Dan and Jean Ebeling

Holy Family Catholic Church

Lector

Sunday: Evie O'Bryant

Eucharistic Ministers:

Karen Pierce and Richelle Stokes

Gift Bearers: Bob and Brenda LeFever

Counters: Wyatt Brooks and Wayne Tedford

	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	10/26/2024	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Kendall Roudebush+	Barbara Taylor
Sunday	10/27/2024	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Wyatt Brooks	Sharon Reiter
Sunday	10/27/2024	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Father Herbert Ene	SM Legions of Mary
Monday	10/28/2024	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Julie Michel	Tricia Smothers
Tuesday	10/29/2024	No Mass	12:00 PM	NO MASS	
Wednesday	10/30/2024	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Thursday	10/31/2024	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Sharon Reiter	Tricia Smothers
Friday	11/01/2024	St. Mary	12:00 PM	St. Mary Parishioners	
Saturday	11/02/2024	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Edward Taylor+/Richard Gagnon+	Barbara Taylor and Betty Gagnon
Sunday	11/03/2024	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Deborah Thorne+	Jim and Sandy Simpson
Sunday	11/03/2024	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Nicholas Alexander Ebeling+	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: Irene Latendresse, Grace Garza, Tom O'Connell, James Story, Tricia Smothers, Jim Simpson, Kenneth Smothers, Steve Ruhlman, Jackie Ruhlman, Father Herbert, Nydia Hernandez, Mickey Baloga, Larry Weibel, Craig Coltharp, Patty Russo, Joe Griggs, Lorna Huot, Betty Gagnon, Barbara Taylor, Jack Dashper, Greg Garza, Patrick Schasser, Pam McMillon, Roger Gibbons, James Davenport, Vicky Story, Allen York, Janet Robbearts, Joyce Parker, Dan Ebeling, Polly Mitchell.

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

For Our Extended Family: Nicholas Carmichael, grandson of Betty Gagnon; John Parker, son of Joyce Parker; Tonya Smothers, friend of Joyce Rushing; Mike Dashper, son of Jack and Mary Dashper; Teresa Reiter, daughter-in-law of Sharon Reiter; Joy Ross, friend of Norma Villalobos; Lily Mills, granddaughter of Tom and Anna Mills; John Parker, son of Joyce Parker; 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; Scott Henderson, friend of Craig and Kathy Coltharp; Samantha Moore, granddaughter of Barbara Taylor; Mark King, nephew of Tricia Smothers; Barbara

Gillespie, sister of Dan Ebeling; Carolyn Tedore, sister of Pam McMillan; Terry Pace, John Waters; Kaelynn Bressler; Ruel Carmicheal; son of Betty Gagnon, Lucy Connolly; sister of Lila Korbelt, Gus Palmieri; friend of Jessica Glendora; John Brinker; uncle of Carrie Etter; Extended family of Barbara Taylor; Dee Vohnoutka; sister of Garry Korbelt; Anissa Jeanne Hendrix; Deacon Wayne Tedford's niece, 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.