

St. Mary Catholic Church

November 24, 2024 Fourth 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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Tessa Walker

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



OUR INHEIRTANCE IN THE LORD—PART 2

In the Christian life, suffering is not an accidental or unfortunate occurrence; it is, in fact, a means by which we are molded into the likeness of Christ. St. Paul speaks of our suffering “with Him,” pointing to a very deep communion that transforms earthly pain into a pathway to divine glory. When we embrace our sufferings in union with Christ’s own sufferings, they become not only bearable but redemptive. They unite us more deeply with our Savior, allowing us to become like Him in His death and resurrection. Suffering strengthens our longing for our eternal inheritance. In this life, we are pilgrims on a journey to our true home. The pains and trials we endure remind us not to settle for the passing comforts of this world but to fix our gaze firmly on the inheritance that awaits us in Heaven. (Proverbs 4:25-26)

As heirs of God, our lives should be a testament to the promise we have received. To live as heirs of God is to embody the virtues of faith, hope, and charity in a world that desperately needs the Gospel. It is to live with a detachment from the riches and honors of this world, knowing that our treasure lies in Heaven. St. Paul urges us to “seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God” (Colossians 3:1). Our hearts and minds should be set on the glorious inheritance, not distracted by the passing desires and pleasures that this world offers.

Prayer and the Sacraments are our means of drawing close to our inheritance even while on earth. In the Eucharist, we receive a foretaste of Heaven, as we encounter the Real Presence of Christ. In this way, we are sustained and fortified as we journey toward the fullness of our inheritance in Heaven. We, the children of God, are destined for nothing less than eternal presence of our Heavenly Father. This is the inheritance that our Lord has prepared for us, one that no earthly wealth or power can compare to. Our sufferings are momentarily; our inheritance is everlasting. This truth should fill us with unwavering hope, even during the darkest of trials. Let us live each day with the certainty that we are loved, chosen, and destined for glory.

May our hearts always cry with the psalmist, “The Lord is my portion; I promise to keep yours.” (Psalm 119:57) And may we, as His children, press forward in hope, knowing that our inheritance is sure, that our Savior awaits us, and that our true home is with Him in everlasting joy.

(Rev.. Fr. Charles)

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.

KNIGHTS NEWS!

Congratulations to the Knight of the Month; Dwayne Pierce and the Family of the Month; Bob and Andrea Vargas. Thank you for all you do for your church and community.



FYI

The church office will be closed on Wednesday, November 27; Thursday, November 28; and Friday, November 29. In case of an emergency, call 731-697-4250.

“My Kingdom does not belong to this World”

Will you make Christ the King, and His merciful love remembered?

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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.



- December 1 Holy Family Hospitality Sunday
- December 3 Knights of Columbus “Lights for Christ” 6:00 pm (SM)
- December 4 Holy Family Finance Council Meeting 12:30 pm
- December 4 Little Flower Club 3:45 pm
- December 8 St. Mary Christmas Party 12:00 pm
- December 9 St. Mary’s Ladies Guild 10:30 am
- December 9 Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
- December 10 Holy Family Christmas Party 5:30 pm
- December 11 Holy Family Parish Council Meeting 12:30 pm
- December 16 St. Mary Reconciliation Service 5:00 pm
- December 18 Holy Family Reconciliation Service 5:00 PM
- December 18 Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:00 pm (HF)
- December 18 Little Flowers Club 3:45 pm

** Hostesses for December Hospitality Sunday are Tom and Anna Mills.

** There will be no Fellowship Sunday at St. Mary in December.

Advent Penance Services Schedule

St. Mary Monday, December 16
immediately following
5:00 pm Mass

Holy Family Wednesday, December 18
immediately following
5:00 pm Mass

****There will be NO 12:00 pm Masses at St. Mary or Holy Family on December 16 and 18.**



St. Mary's Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 8 immediately following Mass. All parishioner are invited to attend. The meal will be catered from Country Western and gifted by the Ladies Guild. Come and enjoy the fellowship and festivities.

St. Mary's Legions of Mary have purchased "Advent Gospel Reflections" by Bishop Robert Barron

You may pick a copy up at the back of the church.



"Thank You Much" St. Mary's Ladies Guild would like to thank all who donated to their annual Thanksgiving Basket project.. A total of \$936.00 was collected and they were able to make nine families Thanksgiving a little happier.

"Lights for Christ"

The Knights of Columbus will be celebrating their annual "Lights for Christ" on Tuesday, December 3. All are invited to attend. A free chili supper will be served at 6 pm with the lighting of the nativity immediately following.



WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Week Ending

11/17/2024

St. Mary—Enrollment 64
Regular Offering \$801.00

Families Contributing 10

Holy Family — Enrollment 47

Regular Offering \$660.00

Families Contributing 15

TWO COLLECTIONS

12/01/2024

Regular Offertory/Building Fund

Ministry Schedule

December 1, 2024

St. Mary Catholic Church

Lectors

Saturday: Jean Ebeling

Sunday: Shelia Melton

Eucharistic Ministers:

Dan and Jean Ebeling (Sat)

Walter Melton (Sun.)

Sheila Melton (Sun.)

Counters:

Jeff and Sharon Latendresse

Holy Family Catholic Church

Lector

Sunday: Bo Lefever

Eucharistic Ministers:

Richelle Stokes and Luisa Bautista

Gift Bearers: John and Pam Fordon

Counters: Wyatt Brooks and Wayne Tedford

	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	11/23/2024	St. Mary	5:00 PM	St. Mary's Legions of Mary	Legions of Mary
Sunday	11/24/2024	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Kay O'Bryant+	Tom and Debbie O'Bryant
Sunday	11/24/2024	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Eric and Teresa Reiter	Sharon Reiter
Monday	11/25/2024	St. Mary	12:00 PM	St. Mary Parishioners	
Tuesday	11/26/2024	No Mass	12:00 PM	NO MASS	
Wednesday	11/27/2024	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Ann P. Drew+	Tom and Debbie O'Bryant
Thursday	11/28/2024	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Deborah Thorne+	Jim and Sandy Simpson
Friday	11/29/2024	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Ron and Amanda Reiter	Sharon Reiter
Saturday	11/30/2024	St. Mary	5:00 PM	St. Mary Parishioners	Legions of Mary
Sunday	12/01/2024	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Alex Reiter+	Sharon Reiter
Sunday	12/01/2024	St. Mary	10:45 AM	St. Mary's Legions of Mary	Legions of Mary

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.