# **St. Mary Catholic Church**

Āpril 13, 2025 Palm Sunday

## St. Mary Catholic Church

220 West Main Street Camden, TN 38320 Office: 731-584-6459 Fax: 731-707-4100 Email: smchfhcatholic@gmail.com Website: stmaryscamden.org

#### 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



## SUSTAINED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity, is not an impersonal force but the very breath of God who sustains and sanctifies every aspect of our lives. From the moment of creation, the Spirit has been present and active: "the Spirit of God swept over the face of the waters" (Genesis 1:2). This same Spirit, who hovered over the waters at the dawn of creation, continues to give life and order to all things. The Spirit is the Lord and giver of life, as professed in the Nicene Creed, not only at the origin of the world but in the daily unfolding of our individual lives.

The Spirit enters our lives in a definitive way through the sacraments, beginning with Baptism. As Saint Paul wrote, "For in the one Spirit we were baptized into one body-Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-and we were all made to drink of one Spirit." (1Corinthians 12:13) The Spirit gives strength, perseverance, and direction, not only for personal holiness but also for the building up of the Church, the Body of Christ.

Daily life is impossible to live faithfully without the ongoing presence and help of the Holy Spirit. He is the one who prays in us when we do not know how to pray, as it is written, "Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness...that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words." (Romans 8:26) He inspires acts of charity, prompts repentance, gives insight into divine truth, and produces the fruits of the Spirit in our souls: "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control." (Galatians 5:22-23) Without Him, even our best efforts would be lifeless and unfruitful.

The sustaining work of the Spirit is not occasional or abstract; it is continuous and intimate. As Jesus promised, "When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth." (John 16:13) In every Eucharist, every act of obedience, every silent prayer, the Spirit is present and active. Christian life is not simply obedience to doctrine but communion with God through the Spirit. He is the bond of love between the Father and the Son, poured into out hearts, sustaining us not only in times of clarity and joy but also in times of darkness and suffering. Through Him, the Christian lives in grace and moves steadily towards eternal life. (Fr. Charles)





Palm Sunday (4/13/25)	8:30 am Mass (HF) 10:45 am Mass (SM)
Holy Thursday (4/17/25)	6:00 pm Mass (SM)
Good Friday (4/18/25) (Stations of the Cross)	3:00 pm (HF & SM)
Veneration of the Cross (4/2	18/25) 6:00 pm (SM)
Holy Saturday (4/19/25) (Easter Vigil)	7:00 pm Mass (SM)
Easter Sunday (4/20/25)	8:30 am Mass (HF) 10:45 am Mass (SM)

\*HF (Holy Family)

\*SM (St. Mary)



As in past years, we are in need of 6 men from Holy Family and 6 men from St. Mary to volunteer to have their feet washed at the Holy Thursday Mass. This is a tradition in the church and an honor to participate. Please call Sandy at 731-584-6459 to volunteer.

"Father into your hands I commend my spirit." (Luke 23:46)

Jesus' words reveal the ultimate trust and surrender to God's will. In vocations, we're invited to echo this trust, placing our lives in God's hands and answering His call with courage and faith. As we enter Holy Week, consider whether God is calling you to serve the church as a priest or religious brother or sister. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (901)373-1244 or via email:

vocationsdirector@vocations.cdom.org.





April 14	ST. Mary Ladies Guild (10:30 am)
April 16	Little Flowers (3:45 pm)
April 16	Knights of Columbus (6:00 pm) (Holy Family)
April 23	Holy Family Finance Committee (12:30 pm)
April 23	Holy Family Parish Council (12:30 pm)
April 26	Holy Family Crafters (9:30 am)

# **Congratulation!**

Jeff and Sharon Latendresse welcomed their new grandson James Nico Latendresse on Wednesday, April 9. The proud parents are Trevor and Rachel Latendresse.



Happy Birthday Freya Walker!

Freya's name was inadvertently left off the April Birthday list. Her birthday is April 19.



Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Holy Family is 49.84% towards their goal of \$3150.00 and St. Mary is 77.97% of their goal of \$7875.00. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge. Please fill out a card located in the back of the church.



For the parishioners of Holy Family and St. Mary. It has been my pleasure to serve both parishes for the past nine years. Things have changed dramatically

for me. I am having some issues with my heart and diabetes. My wife after being cancer free for 2024 has developed lung cancer. Her meds keep her weak and tired. Her treatments include daily chemo by pills and infusion every three weeks. This combined with the stress of serving two churches is too much for me. After the Easter services, I will not be going to St. Mary. Since I have to attend Mass on Sundays, I will serve at Holy Family but will no longer do all the other tasks that I've been doing. I hope to be able to continue adoration but that will depend upon feelings and when we have to go to the doctors. It has become too much for me under the circumstances. Hopefully everyone understands.

Deacon Wayne



On Easter Sunday, April 20, immediately following the 10:45 am Mass, St. Mary will be having their annual Easter Egg Hunt for all children between the ages of one year and eleven years old. All parishioners, family guests or visiting children are invited to participate. Easter bags will be provided or the children can bring their own baskets. The Easter Bunny will once again be available for pictures.



Walter and Shelia Melton are graciously supplying Easter dinner on Easter Sunday at 2:00 pm at St. Mary Fellowship Hall. All are invited to come and enjoy the great food , fun, and friendship. Thank you Walter and Sheila for your act of Kindness.

## WEEKLY OFFERTORY Week Ending

4/06/2025

<b>St. Mary</b> —Enrollment Regular Offering	66 \$2753.00
Families Contributing	20
Holy Family — Enrollment	47
Holy Family — Enrollment Regular Offering	47 \$1978.00

**TWO COLLECTIONS** 

4/20/2025 Regular Offertory/Seminarian Fund

## Ministry Schedule April 20, 2025

## **St. Mary Catholic Church** *Lectors*

Saturday: Joyce Rushing Sunday: Tricia Smothers

Eucharistic Ministers:

Joyce R. and Andrea V. (Sat.) Beate Harris (Sun.) Glenda Nielson (Sun.) Shelia Melton (Sun.)

Counters: Tricia Smothers and Beate Harris

Holy Family Catholic Church Lector

Sunday: Sharon Reiter

Eucharistic Ministers:

Pat Long and Bennett Brou

Gift Bearers: Dillon Koonce Family

Counters: Dennis Blackwell and Wayne Tedford

	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	4/12/2025	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Irene Latendresse+	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Sunday	4/13/2025	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Sunday	4/13/2025	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Jim and Sandy Simpson	Arlene Conrad
Monday	4/14/2025	St. Mary	12:00 PM	James Davenport	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Tuesday	4/15/2025	St. Mary		NO Mass	
Wednesday	4/16/2025	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Thursday	4/17/2025	Holy Family	12:00 PM	St. Mary Parishioners	
Friday	4/18/2025	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Jim Simpson	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Saturday	4/19/2025	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Dena Gagnon+	Betty Gagnon
Sunday	4/20/2025	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Betty Roach+	Steve and Leah Koonce
Sunday	4/20/2025	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Irene Latendresse+	Mike and Annette Croat

## 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:** Grace Garza, Tom O'Connell, James Story, Tricia Smothers, Jim Simpson, Kenneth Smothers, Steve Ruhlman, Jackie Ruhlman, Father Herbert, Nydia Hernandez, 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: Wayne Tedford, Pat Long, Annette Cooley, Tomasas Ocho-Villasenor, Toni Stokes, Wyatt Brooks, 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, Paul Multon, Leon Thorne, Sissy Munoz.

For Our Extended Family: Sherry Tarwater, friend of Toni Stokes and Sandy Simpson; Guy Handley, brother-in -law to Sheila Melton; 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, grandaughter of Tom and Anna Mills; 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 Korbel, Gus Palmieri; friend of Jessica Glendora; John Brinker; uncle of Carrie Etter; Extended family of Barbara Taylor; Dee Vohnoutka; sister of Garry Korbel; 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.

