

St. Mary Catholic Church

April 19, 2026 Third Sunday of Easter

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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

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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

Secretary: Sandy Simpson

Accounting: Theresa O'Connell

Office Hours:

M, W, Th, F

11:00 AM—3:00 PM



THE GOOD SHEPHERD WHO GIVES HIS LIFE

In the tenth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John, our Lord said, "I am the good shepherd." It is personal, attentive, and sacrificial. He knows each sheep, and He binds Himself to them in a relationship marked by fidelity. This is the heart of His mission. He does not preserve His life at the expense of the flock. He gives His life for their sake.

The contrast with the hired servant exposes the poverty of service without love. The one who works only for wages withdraws when danger approaches. There is no lasting bond, no real concern for the sheep. When the wolf comes, fear governs his actions. Christ reveals that true pastoral care requires more than duty. It requires self-giving. In the life of the Church, this shapes the vocation of every shepherd and calls the faithful to recognize the difference between empty service and genuine care.

The knowledge between Christ and His sheep reflects the knowledge between the Father and the Son. This is communion. The faithful are drawn into this divine life through Jesus Christ. He knows His own, and they learn to recognize His voice amid the noise of the world, which is evil, dark, and destructive. This recognition is formed through prayer, obedience, and a steady turning of the heart towards Him. His voice does not lead into confusion. It leads into life.

Our Lord also speaks of the other sheep who are not yet within the fold. His mission extends beyond visible boundaries. He gathers, unites, and forms one flock under one shepherd. This unity is not constructed by human efforts alone. It is the work of Christ, accomplished through His sacrifice and sustained by His grace. The Church receives this task with seriousness. She proclaims His voice, gathers those who hear it, and remains under His care, trusting that He will bring all things to their fulfillment.

(Fr. Charles)





First Friday of the Month May 1

Exposition of the Blessed sacrament will begin at 9:00 am and Mass will begin at 12:00 pm

First Saturday of the Month May 2

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



April 22 Little Flowers Group
3:45 pm

April 22 Holy Family Finance Council
12:30 pm

April 29 Holy Family Parish Council
12:30 pm

**DAILY PRAYER FOR AMERICA 250
by Cardinal Raymond Burke**

O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, King of heaven and earth, I give you today my nation, the United States of America, into Your Heart, pierced with love for us on the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. I acknowledge that true liberty is your gift and that our lasting homeland is the eternal kingdom of God. Under the mantle of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, and through the intercession of her Immaculate Heart, bless my homeland anew and purify her from sin and guide her leaders in truth, justice and peace, so that she may safeguard all human life, respect the integrity of marriage, and the family, and honor the practice of religion. Reign in my home and my nation, draw every heart into communion with You that truth, love, justice, mercy and peace may triumph in America and throughout the world.

Amen

**“Then their eyes were opened and they
recognized Him.”**

Luke 24:31

Just as the disciples recognized Jesus in their midst, couples are called to see Christ present in their marriage. In moments of shared love, sacrifice, and daily life together, Christ reveals Himself and strengthens their bond. Pray that more couples will open their hearts to His presence and live out their vocation with faith and love.



Benton and Carroll County Food Bank

The food banks are most in need of your assistance. If you can, “pay it forward” by giving to your local food bank, please consider donating. Anything that you can give would be most appreciated.

Food

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| Canned Soups | Canned Vegetables |
| Canned Meat | Cereal |
| Canned Spaghetti | Juice |
| Crackers | Cookies |
| Spaghetti Sauce | Spaghetti |
| Cereal | Tuna |
| Macaroni and Cheese | |

Assorted Cleaning Supplies

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| Laundry Soap | Cleaning Supplies |
| Toothpaste | Shampoo |
| Bar Soap | Toilet Paper/Paper Towels |
| Garbage Bags | Napkins |





The Little Flowers

The Little Flowers group will be hosting their annual end of the year Tea on Saturday, April 25 at 1:00 pm. The Tea will be held at St. Mary Fellowship Hall. Families and friends are invited to attend.



Please keep Princess Dano and Hilario Valenzuela in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 1 at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Paris.. We will celebrate Princess and Hilario on Sunday, May 3 with a reception immediately following mass. Please bring a dish to share. No desserts are needed.

Capital Campaign 2026

Remember your Capital Campaign Pledge. Holy Family's goal is \$3390.00 . They are in need of \$3035.00 to complete their goal. St. Mary's goal is \$8470.00. They are in need of \$3770.00 to complete their goal. Remember, this money helps the diocese to complete their good work throughout the diocese.

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.



WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Week Ending

4/12/2026

St. Mary —Enrollment	72
Regular Offering	\$2930.00
Families Contributing	24
Holy Family — Enrollment	54
Regular Offering	\$476.00
Families Contributing	12

TWO COLLECTIONS

4/26/2026

Regular Offertory/Mother's day Flowers

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 26, 2026

St. Mary Catholic Church

Lectors

Saturday: Glenda Nielson
Sunday: Michael O'Connell

Eucharistic Ministers:

Joyce R. and Andrea V. (Sat.)
Sandy Simpson (Sun.)
Sharon Latendresse (Sun.)
Glenda Nielson (Sun.)

Counters: Jeff and Sharon Latendresse

Holy Family Catholic Church

Lector Leah Koonce

Eucharistic Ministers:

Leah Koonce and Tom O'Bryant

Gift Bearers: Bob and Brenda LeFever

Counters: Richelle Stokes and Tom O'Bryant

	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	4/18/2026	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Dena Gagnon+	Betty Gagnon
Sunday	4/19/2026	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Tommie Tedford+	Richelle Stokes
Sunday	4/19/2006	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Tommie Tedford+	Tricia Smothers
Monday	4/20/2026	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Lois Mahoney	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Tuesday	4/21/2026	St. Mary		"No Mass"	
Wednesday	4/22/2026	Holy Family	12:00 AM	Tommie Tedford+	Tricia Smothers
Thursday	4/23/2026	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Cornelia Roach+	Steve and Leah Koonce
Friday	4/24/2026	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Greg and Grace Garza	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Saturday	4/25/2026	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Barbara Taylor	Dan and Jean Ebeling
Sunday	4/26/2026	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Diane Sinclair+	Steve and Leah Koonce
Sunday	4/26/2026	St. Mary	10:45 AM	Hope Moroni+	Tricia Smothers

Prayer Intentions for Health and Repose of the Soul



St. Mary's: Paul and Mary Olano, Mary Johnson, Michelle Leonard, Shirley Petit, Grace Garza, Tom O'Connell, Tricia Smothers, Kenneth Smothers, Steve Ruhlman, Jackie Ruhlman, Father Herbert, Nydia Hernandez, Larry Weibel, Craig Coltharp, Ron and Patty Russo, Lorna Huot, Betty Gagnon, Barbara Taylor, Jack Dashper, Greg Garza, Patrick Schasser, Pam McMillon, Roger Gibbons, James Davenport, Vicky Bell, Allen York, Dan Ebeling.

Holy Family: Ken Bissen, Wayne Tedford, Pat Long, Tomasas Ocho-Villasenor, Toni Stokes, Wyatt Brooks, Lila Korbel, Barry Raidt, Anna Mills, Kamila Cerda, Mary Jane Klinzing, Donna Reindl, Garry Korbel, Johanna Salma, Dick Stokes, Tommy Long, Paul Multon, Sissy Munoz.

For Our Extended Family: Joyce King, friend of St. Mary, Gerry Baloga, brother of David Baloga and Michelle Leonard; Jan Scarborough, friend of Tricia Smothers; Sherry Tarwater, friend of Toni Stokes and Sandy Simpson; Nicholas Carmichael, grandson of Betty Gagnon; Tonya Smothers, friend of Joyce Rushing; Mike Dashper, son of Jack and Mary Dashper; Teresa Reiter, daughter-in-law of Sharon Reiter; Lily Mills, granddaughter of Tom and Anna Mills; John and Tammy Carroll; friends of Barbara Taylor; Kathy

Coltharp; Samantha Moore, granddaughter of Barbara Taylor; Mark King, nephew of Tricia Smothers; Carolyn Tedore, sister of Pam McMillan; Susan Johnston, daughter-in-law of Barbara Taylor; Carl Reetz, friend of Holy Family Parishioners; John and Don Parker, sons of Joyce Parker; Scott Henderson, friend of Craig and Kathy Coltharp, John Waters; Kaelynn Bressler; Ruel Carmicheal; son of Betty Gagnon, Lucy Connolly; sister of Lila Korbel, Gus Palmieri; friend of Jessica Glendora; John Brinker; ;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.