

St. Mary Catholic Church

June 7, 2026 Corpus Christi Sunday

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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

265 Cotham Drive

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Mailing Address:

220 W. Main Street

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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



BE STILL BEFORE THE LORD

The world in which we live is marred by noise, haste, and constant distractions. Our soul is called to rediscover the virtue of holy stillness before God. Never think that remaining still in the Lord is to be equated to passivity or indifference. Rather, it is a deliberate act of trust whereby the faithful place themselves in the hands of Divine Providence. In the Psalms we read: "Be still and see that I am God" (Psalm 45:11). This blessed stillness allows the soul to cease striving according to worldly standards and to rest confidently in the wisdom, power, and mercy of Almighty God. The saints of the Church understood that silence before the Lord is often more fruitful than many words, for it creates space for grace to work within the heart.

Our Lord Himself demonstrated the importance of withdrawing from worldly concerns in order to commune with the Father. Throughout the Gospels, Christ frequently sought places of solitude for prayer. The faithful are invited to imitate this example by setting aside moments of quiet reflection and prayer amidst the demands of daily life. The prophet Isaiah wrote: "For thus saith the Lord God the Holy One of Israel: If you return and be quiet, you shall be saved: In silence and in hope shall your strength be" (Isaiah 30:15). True spiritual strength is not found in agitation or anxiety but in peaceful confidence that God remains sovereign over every circumstance.

Remaining still before the Lord also requires patience during times of suffering and uncertainty. Many trials cannot be resolved through human effort alone. In such moments, faith calls us to wait upon God with perseverance. The Psalmist declares, "Be subject to the Lord, and pray to him. Envy not the man who prospereth in his way" (Psalm 36:7). The Church has long emphasized that patient endurance is a participation in the Cross of Christ. Through prayer, the Sacraments, and confidence in God's promises, we learn to surrender our fears and place our burdens before Him, trusting that He will accomplish His holy will in His own perfect time.

The Blessed Virgin Mary offers a shining example of this sacred stillness. Though she faced uncertainty, sorrow, and hardship, she remained faithful and attentive to the will of God. Saint Luke wrote that she "kept all these words, pondering them in her heart" (Luke 2:19). Her contemplative spirit reaches us to listen carefully for the voice of God amid the distractions of the world. By cultivating silence, prayer, and trust, the faithful grow in union with Jesus Christ and discover the peace that He alone can give. In remaining still before the Lord, the soul learns that God is ever present, ever faithful, and ever worthy of complete confidence.

(Fr. Charles)

**RECTORY HOUSEWARMING
REGISTRY**

There has been a registry set up on Amazon for much needed items for the rectory. We would like to get the items in place before Father Scott arrives. Any help from Holy Family or St. Mary parishioners would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to support this project, please have items sent to St. Mary at 220 W. Main, Camden, TN 38344.

WHEN PLACING AN ORDER

Go to Amazon Gift Registry
Registry and Gift List
Find Registry
Owner's Name: Diane Brodbeck

St. Mary Ladies Guild:

We would like to take this time to thank all who donated to our "No Bake, Bake Sale". We received \$740.00 through your extreme generosity. Your donations will be used to purchase cleaning supplies, paper products, coffee, reception cakes and to help with our Christ Café Project. We truly are blessed.

Our 2026-2027 Ladies Guild Officers are; Diane Brodbeck, President; Sandy Simpson, Secretary and Tricia Smothers, Treasurer.

Prayer for Vocations

God of every aspect of our lives, help us to hear clearly what you are asking of us each day, whatever situation we find ourselves in. You are our God who calls us to stay where we are or to move at your bidding: to seek and speak courageously, sharing your love, defending the vulnerable and bringing dignity to those who have no voice. Help us to sense your presence, in perseverance and in hope, in those everyday places which can be continuously renewed by your grace.



June 5-6	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
June 7	Hospitality Sunday (Honoring Fr. Herbert)
June 8	Ladies Guild Meeting (10:30 am)
June 10	Holy Family Joint Finance/ Council Meeting (12:30 pm)
June 10	St. Mary Joint Finance/ Pastoral Council Meeting (6:00 pm)
June 14	Father Michael Reception (Holy Family)
June 17	Knights of Columbus (HF) (6:00 pm)
June 19	Holy Family Crafters (9:30 am)
June 21	Father's Day (Reception for (Fr. Herbert and Fr. Michael 12:30 PM)

**Hospitality hostesses for June are Bob and Brenda LeFever

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.





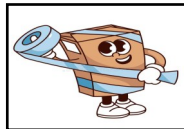
Holy Family Parishioners,

Mark your June calendars! Before their departure, we wish to show Father Herbert and Father Michael our appreciation of their services to us. At our regular June 7 Hospitality Sunday, we would like to honor Father Herbert with our normal dish-to-pass along with a cake, and on Sunday, June 14, we would like to honor Father Michael with a cake and coffee reception after mass. Please make plans to attend.



“Four Your Information”

On Tuesday, June 8, the Ladies Guild is sponsoring a “Packing Day” to help Father Herbert get ready for his move. Anyone that can come, please come and help. The more people we have, the faster the job. We have boxes, paper and tape. We will begin at 10:00 am. See you Tuesday.



St. Mary will be honoring Father Herbert and Father Michael with a “Farewell” reception on Sunday, June 21 immediately following mass. We will be having a add-a-dish and all are invited to wish our priests a fond farewell. So, get your best recipe together and if you can, please bring it to share. No desserts are needed. A cake is being provided.



WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Week Ending

5/31/2026

St. Mary— Enrollment	75
Regular Offering	\$1322.00
Families Contributing	22
Holy Family — Enrollment	59
Regular Offering	\$1162.00
Families Contributing	12

ONE COLLECTION

6/14/2026

Regular Offertory

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 14, 2026

St. Mary Catholic Church

Lectors

Saturday: Glenda Nelson

Sunday: Theresa O’Connell

Eucharistic Ministers:

Glenda N. and Andrea V. (Sat.)

Sharon Latendresse (Sun.)

Sandy Simpson (Sun.)

Theresa O’Connell (Sun.)

Counters: Jeff and Sharon Latendresse

Holy Family Catholic Church

Lector Alex Solares

Eucharistic Ministers:

Bennett Brou and Karen Pierce

Gift Bearers: The Mendez Family

Counters: John Edwards and Wyatt Brooks

	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
Saturday	6/06/2026	St. Mary	5:00 PM	Edward Taylor+ and Richard Gagnon+	Barbara Taylor and Betty Gagnon
Sunday	6/07/2026	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Wayne Tedford	Holy Family Legions of Mary
Sunday	6/07/2006	St. Mary	10:45 AM	St. Mary Parishioners	
Monday	6/08/2026	St. Mary	12:00 PM	St. Mary Parishioners	
Tuesday	6/09/2026	St. Mary		"No Mass"	
Wednesday	6/10/2026	Holy Family	12:00 AM	Joe Roach+	Steve and Leah Koonce
Thursday	6/11/2026	Holy Family	12:00 PM	Holy Family Parishioners	
Friday	6/12/2026	St. Mary	12:00 PM	Kirk Smothers	Tricia Smothers
Saturday	6/13/2026	St. Mary	5:00 PM	St. Mary Parishioners	
Sunday	6/14/2026	Holy Family	8:30 AM	Father Scott Bahre	Holy Family Legions of Mary
Sunday	6/14/2026	St. Mary	10:45 AM	St. Mary Parishioners	

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: Vicky Baloga, sister-in-law of David Baloga, 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.