

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm | Friday Office Closed

600 N Liberty Street | Independence, MO 64050

Mass Times

Monday: 12 noon (OF)

Tuesday: 12 noon (OF)

Wednesday: 12 noon (EF)

Thursday: 6:00 pm (EF)

Friday: 12 noon (EF)

Saturday: 5:00 pm (OF)

Sunday:

8:00 am & 11:00 am (OF)

5:00 pm (EF)

OF - Ordinary Form

EF - Extraordinary Form

Confessions are 30 minutes

before every Mass



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,
"Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise
of many in Israel." - Lk 2:34a

Outreach Agency

Food, Clothing and
Prescription
Medication Assistance

HOURS:

Wednesday &
Thursday 9:00am -
3:00pm

(816) 252-8649

(Please call for an
appointment)

*Donations of food &
clothing may be
brought to the Ministry
Center Monday -
Thursday by 12:00
noon

February 2nd, 2020: Presentation of the Lord - Candlemas

MISSAL

Readings, Text of Antiphons, Psalm: pgs. 729-733

Mass Ordinary: Mass Simplex | pg. 850 (@5pm and 8am);

Missa de Angelis pg. 873 @11am

Prayer Before Mass of St. Thomas Aquinas: pg. 1000

Sprinkling Rite: Asperges me pg. 839

Entrance Antiphon: *Your merciful love...*(pg. 961,#199)

Suscepimus @11am

Creed: Credo III pg.899

Responsorial Psalm: *Who is the king of glory?It is the Lord!*

Communion Antiphon:*My eyes have seen your salvation*(pg. 961,

#201); *Responsum @ 11am*

HYMNAL

Candle Blessing and Procession at 11: pgs 729-730

Entrance Hymn: O Worship the King! #91

Offertory Hymn: Ave Maris Stella #119

Communion Hymn: Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All #130

Marian Antiphon: Alma Redemptoris Mater #5

Recessional Hymn: Lift Up Your Heads #6

*Please find red missals and dark blue hymnals near the
church entrances for Mass*

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday February 1

First Saturday

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13,
14-15, 16-17 [12a]/Mk 4:35-41
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Norma Higbee)

Sunday February 2

The Presentation of the Lord

Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [10b]/
Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-3
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (+John Kearney)
9:00am - 10:45am - *Parish School of Religion (MC)*
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (EF)-(Eugene Diamond)

Monday February 3

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps
3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk 5:1-20
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (+Margarita Magalski)

Tuesday February 4

St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—
19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1a]/Mk 5:21-43
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (George Stone)
6:30pm - Choir Practice (C)
6:30pm - Scouts (FH)

Wednesday February 5

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7
[cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6
St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (EF) -
(Steve & Karen Swarm)

Thursday February 6

St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10,
11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd [12b]/Mk 6:7-13
10:00am - Secular Franciscans (MC)
5:30pm - Confessions
6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Benjamin Gibson & Family)
7:00pm - RCIA (MC)

Friday February 7

Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51
[cf. 47b]/Mk 6:14-29
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass -(EF) - (Poor Souls in Purgatory)

Saturday February 8

1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12,
13, 14 [12b]/Mk 6:30-3
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Ann Francke)

Next Sunday February 9

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/
1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (Betty Underwood)
9:00am - 10:45am - *Parish School of Religion (MC)*
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass (+John Kearney)
12:15pm - Confirmation Class (MC)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass (EF) - (Teresa Romano)



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WEEKLY READINGS

for Ordinary Mass

Sunday: Is 8:23—9:3/Ps 27:1, 4,
13-14 [1a]/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt
4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30;
16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk
5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b,
24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
[1a]/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps
32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr
29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd [12b]/Mk
6:7-1

Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47
and 50, 51 [cf. 47b]/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9,
10, 11, 12, 13, 14 [12b]/Mk 6:30-3

Next Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5,
6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Elmer Albert, David Anderson, David Barrett, Liz Crosby, Augie Cruz, Bob DeSchepper, Brodie Gorbet, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Harold Mitchell, Annie Moran, Ke Hun Ngo, Jerri Olivarez, Eric Palmer, Mary Pappas, Mark & Maryann Polina, Anthony Rizzi, Michelle Rohaus, George Stone, Betty Underwood, Frank Velasquez, Peggy Vincent, Jean Wilcox

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:

SFC. Christopher Kinnaman - Wainwright, Fairbanks AL. (Grandson of Betty Kinnaman)
Fr. CPT. Brian Klingele - Kreech AFB & Nellis AFB, Nevada, (Nephew of Ken & Karen Klingele)
Rev. Joseph Reardon - Bahrain (Persian Gulf) Command Chaplain
SSGT Christopher Wood - Cherry Point, NC (Grandson of Jean Wilcox)
ICSN Josiah Smith - San Diego, CA. (Grandson of Mary Smith) & IC3 Christina Smith - Virginia (wife of Josiah)
CPT Eric Hoffman - US Air Force, Middle East (Nephew of Chuck & Karen Vlasin)

NEW PASTORAL CARE MEALS COMMITTEE!

Have you recently had a baby, been in the hospital, been ill or are dealing with grief? We would like to help you by providing you with home cooked meals. If you or someone you know in the parish has a need for dinners on a short-term basis, **please contact Colleen Diamond at lourdesspring@gmail.com or 816-260-7322.**

Also, if you are interested in helping to make meals on an as-needed basis we would love for you to join!

Please check out our parish choir's debut CD, *Sundays at St. Mary's*, recorded this summer in the church. This CD is a collection of typical motets and Marian antiphons you'd hear in a liturgical year, here at St. Mary's. The CD's are available in the bookshop for \$10 each, and all proceeds benefit the renovations at St. Mary's.

Altar Servers

5:00pm - J Collins, J Rider
8:00am - M & T Holden, A Rincon, T & T Spooner
11:00am - J Combs, M Deggendorf, E&J Diamond, T Gearke, R Howe, A Talato, L Uresti
5:00pm - N Leete, N Smith

Lectors

1st Sunday February 2
5 PM: T Douglas
8 AM: M Pontalion
11 AM: E Ball
2nd Sunday February 9
5 PM: E Thompson
8 AM: D Gilbert
11 AM: E Holder

Please let Tami know at smoffice@saintmarysparish.org if your availability changes, or if you'd like to be added to the list of servers or lectors.

St. Mary's Bookstore 2020 Wall Calendar

For a \$10 donation the bookstore is selling, at a discounted price, a beautiful Mary and the Saints Wall Calendar designed to suit every taste and inspire greater devotion to the Blessed Mother for every day of the year.

The TAN calendar contains special feasts and fascinating Catholic traditions. It is marked with days of Fasting, special Saints Days, and the Sundays of the Liturgical Year for both the Ordinary and Extraordinary Calendar.

Celebrate Your Sacrament . . . Plan to join Archbishop Naumann and Bishop Johnston for a special Mass, Blessing, and Reception to celebrate **World Marriage Day** at 11:45 am on Sunday, February 9th at the Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th Street, Overland Park, Kansas. Bring your family and proclaim to the world the beauty and blessing of married love.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, 816.812.2500, or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011, or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

FEATURED CD OF THE MONTH

Prayer is a Dialogue: With his characteristic warmth and insight, Venerable Fulton Sheen shares his tips for effective prayer—as well as what prayer is in the first place and why it matters. Learn how to transform your prayer into a true dialogue with the Almighty and why, in order for prayer to be effective, we must learn to listen more than we speak.

Please visit our CD kiosk at the front of the church. We have many great topics on CD about the Catholic faith. We ask for a nominal donation of \$3 for each CD.

School of Religion and RCIA classes have begun! PSR meets every Sunday, 9:00 - 10:45 a.m. RCIA meets Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Please reach out to events@saintmarysparish.org if you wish to enroll.

Sign up for FORMED! This is a free resource available to parishioners, containing unlimited access to Catholic movies, children's books, audio dramas and books...even Sacramental prep, Bible studies, documentaries, and so much more!!

Sign up by going to Formed.org/signup. Select "I Belong to a Parish", search for St. Mary's, then follow the remaining steps!

Last Call for Poinsettias!

Please feel free to take home a poinsettia while the blooms can still be enjoyed. They're located in the south vestibule.

Discard Your Old Palms

Please bring your old palms to the church by Sunday, February 23rd, and place them in the baskets located near the confessionals.

They will be burned for Ash Wednesday.



Gospel Reflection by Dr Scott Hahn

Today's feast marks the Presentation of the Lord Jesus in the Temple, forty days after he was born. As the firstborn, he belonged to God. According to the Law, Mary and Joseph were required to take him to the Temple and "redeem" him by paying five shekels. At the same time, the Law required the child's mother to offer sacrifice in order to overcome the ritual impurity brought about by childbirth.

So the feast we celebrate shows a curious turn of events. The Redeemer seems to be redeemed. She who is all-pure presents herself to be purified. Such is the humility of our God. Such is the humility of the Blessed Virgin. They submit to the law even though they are not bound by it.

However, the Gospel story nowhere mentions Jesus' "redemption," but seems to describe instead a religious consecration—such as a priest might undergo. Saint Luke tells us that Jesus is "presented" in the Temple, using the same verb that Saint Paul uses to describe the offering of a sacrifice (see [Romans 12:1](#)). Another parallel is the Old Testament dedication of Samuel ([1 Sam 1:24-27](#)) to the Temple as a priest.

The drama surrounding Jesus' conception and birth began in the Temple—when the Archangel visited Mary's kinsman, Zechariah the priest. And now the story of Jesus' infancy comes to a fitting conclusion, again in the Temple.

All the readings today concern Jerusalem, the Temple, and the sacrificial rites. The first reading comes from the Prophet Malachi, who called the priests to return to faithful service—and foretold a day when a Messiah would arrive with definitive purification of the priesthood.

Likewise, the Psalm announces to Jerusalem that Jerusalem is about to receive a great visitor. The Psalmist identifies him as "The LORD of hosts . . . the king of glory."

Christ now arrives as the long-awaited priest and redeemer. He is also the sacrifice. Indeed, as his life will show, He is the Temple itself (see [John 2:19-21](#)).

Weekly Contribution Income		Annual Contribution Income	
<i>January 26</i>			
Envelopes: \$	3950.00	January Actual: \$	19,581.00
Plate: \$	741.00	January Budget: \$	22,000.00
Online: \$	618.00		\$ 2419.00
Total Contributions: \$	5309.00	Year-to-Date Actual: \$	149,965.00
		Year-to-Date Budget: \$	165,000.00
			\$ 15,035.00

(Fiscal Year is July 1 through June 30)

Don't carry cash or checks? Contact Father to set up tithing through automatic direct deposit, or sign up for one-time or recurring donations on our website at the Online Giving tab at the top of the page

Contribution Statements

If you would like a copy of your 2019 contributions, please contact Tony Douglas at 252-0121, Ext. 101 or tony@saintmarysparish.org



St. Mary's Winter Weather Policy

When Independence Schools close due to snow and ice, the parish offices will also be closed, and all parish events will be canceled.

If the Independence Schools close because of cold only, the parish offices will remain open, and parish events will continue.

Masses **will not** be canceled due to inclement weather.



ST. CYRIL'S CHURCH

FAT SATURDAY FUNDRAISER

Celebrate Mardi Gras Sugar Creek style!!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 6:30 P.M.

Mike Onka Hall 11520 E Putnam

Sugar Creek, MO

advance ticket price

Adults \$25.00 - Child \$12.00 (6-12)

\$30.00 at door if available

Music by

the Sugar Creek Tamburitans

Raffles & Silent Auction

Ticket includes - dinner, beer, wine & set-ups

For more information call Debbie Ray

816-461-4877



Altar & Rosary Meetings

The February General A&R meeting, scheduled for Thursday February 13th, **has been cancelled.**

The Guild meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 19th, 1:00pm at the Ministry Center

Circle 6 meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 26th, 6:30pm at the Ministry Center.

Sweetheart Bake Sale

Please mark your calendars for our annual **Sweetheart Bake Sale** that will be held the weekend of **February 8th**, before/after all masses. This includes the Sunday 5:00pm mass! All baked good donations will be welcomed! Items do not need to be priced but please label what the item is. Items can be delivered prior to all masses. Thank you in advance for your support!

Congratulations to Ethan DeCann, Felix Diamond, and Sebastian Owen on making their First Reconciliations and First Communion! May God bless you always and keep you close to His Eucharistic Heart.