

# 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 (OF)

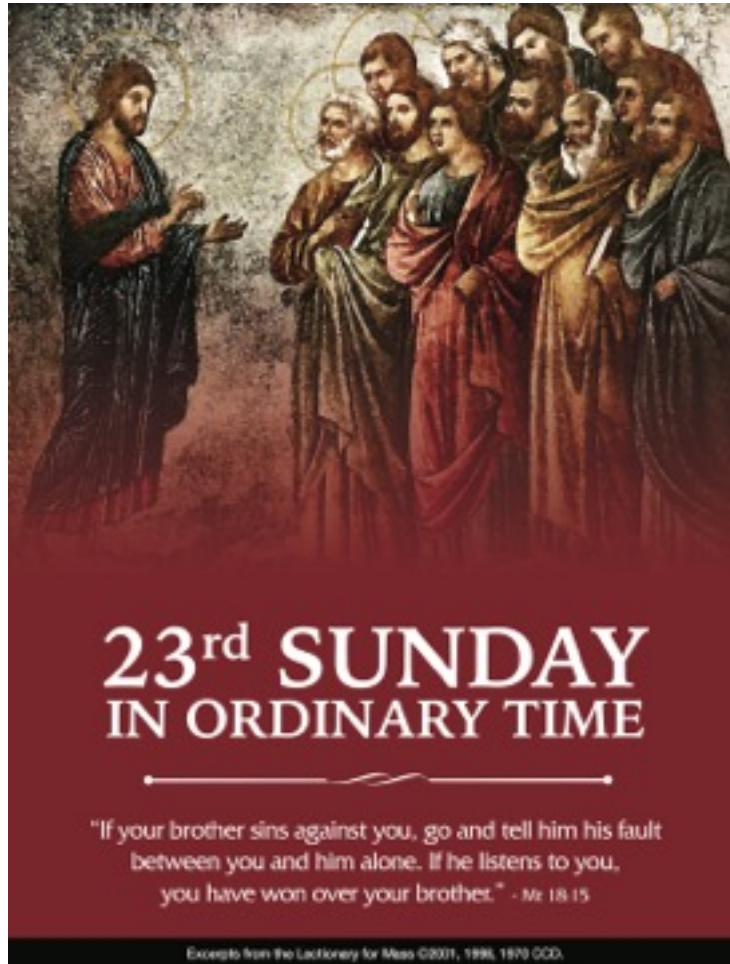
11:00 am (OF)

5:00 pm (EF)

*OF - Ordinary Form*

*EF - Extraordinary Form*

Confessions are 30 minutes  
before every Mass



## Outreach Agency

Food and Prescription  
Medication Assistance

HOURS:

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

(816) 252-8649  
(By appointment  
only)

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

## September 6th, 2020: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### PRAYER OF SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

Almighty eternal God, behold, I come to the Sacrament of your Only Begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, as one sick to the physician of life, as one unclean to the fountain of mercy, as one blind to the light of eternal brightness, as one poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. I ask, therefore, for the abundance of your immense generosity, that you may graciously cure my sickness, wash away my defilement, give light to my blindness, enrich my poverty, clothe my nakedness, so that I may receive the bread of Angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with such reverence and humility, such contrition and devotion, such purity and faith, such purpose and intention as are conducive to the salvation of my soul. Grant, I pray, that I may receive not only the Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, but also the reality and power of that Sacrament. O most gentle God, grant that I may so receive the Body of your Only Begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ, which he took from the Virgin Mary, that I may be made worthy to be incorporated into his Mystical Body and to be counted among its members. O most loving Father, grant that I may at last gaze for ever upon the unveiled face of your beloved Son, whom I, a wayfarer, propose to receive now veiled under these species: Who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever. Amen.

## PARISH CALENDAR

### Saturday September 5

#### *St. Teresa of Calcutta*

1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18,  
19-20, 21 [18]/Lk 6:1-5  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass - (Orval Dean  
Harlow+)

### Sunday September 6

#### *23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/  
Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20  
7:30am - Confessions  
8:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)  
11:00am - Mass - (Amparo  
Aguilera+)  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Robert  
Lappat+)

### Monday September 7

1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12 [9]/Ps  
5:5-6, 7, 12 [9]/Lk 6:6-11  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass - (Ann Boes)

### Tuesday September 8

#### *The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps  
13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16,  
18-23 or 1:18-23  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass - (Ann Boes &  
Family)

### Wednesday September 9

#### *St. Peter Claver, Priest*

1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12,  
14-15, 16-17 [11]/Lk 6:20-26  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Thomas  
Romano & Family)

### Thursday September 10

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3,  
13-14ab, 23-24 [24b]/Lk 6:27-38  
5:30pm - Confessions  
6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Vincent  
Xarhadjizamtheopoulos)

### Friday September 11

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4,  
5-6, 12 [2]/Lk 6:39-42  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Back to School Mass -  
(EF) - (St. Mary's Families &  
Students returning to school)

### Saturday September 12

1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13,  
17-18 [17]/Lk 6:43-49  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass - (Pat Stone)

### Next Sunday September 13

*24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4,  
9-10, 11-12 [8]/Rom 14:7-9/Mt  
18:21-35  
7:30am - Confessions  
8:00am - Mass - (Carlos Cruz+)  
11:00am - Mass - (Elizabeth  
Crosby+)  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass - (EF) -  
(Parishioners)



## Contact Information

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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](mailto: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](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Elmer Albert, David Anderson, David Barrett, Augie Cruz, Brodie Gorbet, Donald Kempfs, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Harold Mitchell, Annie Moran, Ke Hun Ngo, Eric Palmer, Eric Parvin, Mark & Maryann Polina, Anthony Rizzi, Michelle Rohaus, Harold Stewart, George Stone, Betty Underwood, Frank Velasquez, Peggy Vincent

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)  
*ICSN Josiah Smith* - (Grandson of Mary Smith) & *IC3 Christina Smith* - Virginia (wife of Josiah)  
*Airman Tommy Romano* - Ariano, Italy (Nephew of Sr. Teresita)

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE THE SUNDAY BULLETIN EMAILED TO YOU?**

Please provide us with your email address and LPI, our bulletin service provider, will send it directly to your inbox. Submit your email to us in any of the three ways:

- 1). email us at [smoffice@saintmarysparish.org](mailto:smoffice@saintmarysparish.org)  
or  
[techsupport@saintmarysparish.org](mailto:techsupport@saintmarysparish.org)
- 2). Include your email in your contribution envelope
- 3). Or, contact the church office @ 252-0121

Please submit your email to us by  
**September 14th**

THANK YOU!

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

Fr. Bartulica will be doing the readings at this time.

**Reminder to 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](http://formed.org/signup). Select "I Belong to a Parish", search for St. Mary's, then follow the remaining steps!**

**FEATURED CD OF THE MONTH**

**A New Heart (My story of abortion, addiction, & conversion):** Depression and guilt. Sadness and anger. Drug and alcohol abuse. Feeling unforgivable. As Shawna Arnold explains, these symptoms of post-abortion trauma can be overwhelming—but they cannot withstand the love and mercy of God, whom makes all things new. In this moving talk, Shawna describes her life experiences, and how she found her way back to the Church and the loving embrace of the Father.

*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.*



## Readings for 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Lectionary: 127

Reading 1

**EZ 33:7-9**

Thus says the LORD:

You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me. If I tell the wicked, “O wicked one, you shall surely die”, and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself.

Responsorial Psalm

**PS 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9**

R. (8) **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;

let us acclaim the rock of our salvation.

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

R. **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Come, let us bow down in worship;

let us kneel before the LORD who made us.

For he is our God, and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

R. **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Oh, that today you would hear his voice:

“Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,

as in the day of Massah in the desert,

Where your fathers tempted me;

they tested me though they had seen my works.”

R. **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Reading 2

**ROM 13:8-10**

Brothers and sisters:

Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another;

for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery;

you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet,”

and whatever other commandment there may be, are

summed up in this saying, namely, “You shall love your

neighbor as yourself.” Love does no evil to the neighbor;

hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

Alleluia

**2 COR 5:19**

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

**MT 18:15-20**

Jesus said to his disciples:

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that ‘every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector. Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

### Live-Streamed Mass Resources

<https://www.ewtn.com/tv/watch-live/united-states>

-or-

<https://kcsjccatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/livestream/>

Weekly Contribution Income		Annual Contribution Income	
<i>August 30</i>			
Envelopes: \$	2535.00	August Actual: \$	20,731.00
Plate: \$	168.00	August Budget: \$	
Online: \$	400.00		
<b>Total Contributions: \$</b>	<b>3103.00</b>	<b>Year-to-Date Actual: \$</b>	<b>37,908.00</b>
		<b>Year-to-Date Budget: \$</b>	

(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.



Join us for the Back to School Mass on **Friday, September 11th**, at *noon* for the intention of all students this school year. We pray for a successful year!

**THANK YOU** for your continued support and generosity as we have navigated through these challenging times. If attending Mass, we have baskets in the vestibules for your contributions. If unable to attend, please continue to mail in your weekly contribution or send it via the church website under the Online Giving tab.



*Altar & Rosary Society Membership Drive*  
**September is our annual membership drive. This year, envelopes are being mailed to current members for renewal.**

**You can return the renewal in the envelope provided in the mailing or place in the collection basket. If you're not a member but would like to join us, there are membership applications and envelopes at the church entrances. Dues is \$5 per year. Place your application and dues in the collection basket at Mass. New members are always welcome!!**

**Questions?? Contact Mary Stoner at [mstoner2005@comcast.net](mailto:mstoner2005@comcast.net) or 816-509-7702.**

Young adults, join fellow Catholics from around the Midwest for the *27th annual Nature's Call Campout at Pomme de Terre Lake in Missouri!* Spend **Labor Day weekend** camping, make new friendships, enjoy swimming, live music, dancing, hiking, a cooking competition, sports, and more! Holy Mass and Confessions will be available during the weekend. Bring your own camping equipment, food, and beverages. Visit [naturescallcampouts.org](http://naturescallcampouts.org) to learn more and purchase tickets (\$25 online or \$30 at the campground). We look forward to seeing you!

**Twentythird Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 6, 2020**

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." The community that gathers needs leadership. Pray for those serving in priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. For more information about Church vocations in our diocese contact the Serra Club of SEKC,MO ([serrasekc@comcast.net](mailto:serrasekc@comcast.net)); or Call 816-560-2992 – Homer Radford -President.