

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



4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." - Lk 1:41-42

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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

December 19, 2021: 4th Sunday of Advent

4th Sunday of Advent (Traditional)

Advent IV

Readings, text of the antiphons, and responsorial psalm: pg 37-39

Mass setting: Mass XVII (Kyrie B)

Entrance Hymn: The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns #8

Entrance Antiphon: Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the
Just One: let the earth be opened and bring forth a Savior.

Offertory Hymn: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (first 4 verses) #1

Communion Antiphon: Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called
Emmanuel. (pg. 907 #12)

Communion Hymn: #1 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (2nd 4 verses)

Marian Antiphon: Alma redemptoris mater #5

Recessional Hymn: Lift Up Your Heads #6

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday December 18

Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19
[cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Gene Stone)

Sunday December 19

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
[4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass - (Marty & Reuben Rangel+)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (EF) -
(Intentions of Hielgard Quilligan)

Monday December 20

Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6
[cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Haylee Marie Atagi-Barker and Unborn Child)

Tuesday December 21

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (Children, Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren of Jim & Dixie Altman)

Wednesday December 22

1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56
11:30am - Confessions
12:00pm - Mass - (EF) -
(Elizabeth Swarm+)



Thursday December 23

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66
5:30pm - Confessions
6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Haylee Marie Atagi-Barker and Unborn Child)

Friday December 24

Christmas Eve

Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/
Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
4:00pm - Vigil Mass - (Delbert Melvin Miller, Sr. +)
12:00 Midnight - Latin Mass - Gehard Hannah Family

Saturday December 25

The Nativity of the Lord

Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
10:00am - Christmas Day Mass - Kenneth Espinosa+
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (Ruben & Martin Rangel+)

Next Sunday December 26

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or
1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52
7:30am - Confessions
8:00am - Mass - (Haylee Marie Atagi-Barker and Unborn Child)
10:30am - Confessions
11:00am - Mass - (Jessica Swarm)
4:30pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass - (EF) (Parishioners)

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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 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 Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and
FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

David Barrett, Jeffrey Derk, Mike Higbee, Joan Ishmael, Bill Janner, Teresa Janacaro, Frances Janacaro, Donald Kemps, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Sharel Mawby, Harold Mitchell, Carol Monaco, Annie Moran, Ke Hun Ngo, Eric Palmer, Eric Parvin, Michelle Rohaus, Lucas Uresti, Frank Velasquez, Peggy Vincent

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN &
WOMEN:

RCT. Victor Rangel - (Son of Phil & Julie Rangel)
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)

**CHRISTMAS MASS
SCHEDULE**

Friday, December 24th, Christmas Eve
4:00pm Vigil Mass and
12 Midnight Latin Mass

Saturday, December 25th, Christmas
Day
10:00am Christmas Morning Mass
and
***5:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Congregational and choral singing of
carols 30 minutes before all Christmas
Masses

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Friday, December 31st
6:00pm Vigil Mass
Saturday, January 1st
10:00am Latin Mass
and
***5:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday**

**These Masses will be for the Sunday Vigil
only and do not fulfill the obligation for
Christmas Mass and Solemnity of Mary*



A Penance Service, along with Lessons and Carols will be Monday, December 20 at 6:30pm. Join us to contemplate Scripture, listen to the choir, and sign carols. Confessions will be available during the service.

MASS TIME CHANGE

Thursday, December 23 evening Mass in the Extraordinary Form will be at 5pm, rather than 6pm

St. Mary's Gift Shop

NEW FOR ADVENT

Let us help you make this Advent special. We have numerous small books with daily prayers, inspirational thoughts, wisdom from saints, etc., to start each day of Advent.

To help the children get in the right spirit for the season. We also have —

Advent and Christmas activity books
Coloring books
Christmas story books
New selection of saint's books

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

We have added 4 new religious theme "1000 Piece Designer Jigsaw Puzzles, (27"x39"). For Christmas and many winter days after —

The Last Supper
Adoration of the Magi
Wedding Feast at Cana
Miraculous Draught of Fishes

St Mary's souvenir Coffee Mugs are back in stock.

**Next PSR date is December 19 from 9-10:30am
in the ministry center!**

TOWN HALL SURVEY RESULTS

Summary Sheet for Possibilities for Vibrant Ministry in Deanery 11			
Parish Name: <u>St. Mary's Catholic Church</u>			
Total Surveys Collected: <u>43</u>			
As a reminder, each respondent was asked to select one top preference (1) and one back-up preference (2) for each ministry area. No item should have a "3" or "4". They could also write in an "Other" and indicate preference 1 or 2.			
	Total Top Priority (1)	Total Back-up Priority (2)	
1. Parish Organization			
a. Consider northern parishes under 1 pastor and vicar...	4	5	
b. Cluster St. Ann and St. Cyril...	22	8	
c. Share or create staff positions...	1	2	
d. Continue the ministries...		9	
e. Other - Close St. Joseph and consolidate St. Ann and St. Cyril		1	
e. Other - Consolidate St. Ann, St. Cyril, and St. Joseph; St. Mary unchanged	2	3	
e. Other - St. Mary remains a standalone parish	9		
e. Other - No changes to any parish	2		
e. Other - Change 5 pm Sat. Mass at St. Mary's to St. Joseph the Worker	1		
e. Other - Merge St. Mary's and St. Joseph the Worker	1		
	Total Top Priority (1)	Total Back-up Priority (2)	
2. Worship and Evangelization			
a. Increase preparation for Sunday...	3	2	
b. Stronger sense of welcome...	5	3	
c. Establish teams of parishioners...	11	12	
d. Ministry for young adults and seniors...	17	11	
e. Other - Encourage parishes to make liturgies orthodox	2		
e. Other - First Friday Mass with dinner afterwards		1	
e. Other - Create adoration chapel available for extended hours	1		
e. Other - Purchase back old buildings at St. Mary's and turn into new school	1		
e. Other - Develop ministries at parish level		1	
e. Other - Parish-wide social activities with no age restrictions	1		
e. Other - Go door-to-door in the area.	1		
	Total Top Priority (1)	Total Back-up Priority (2)	
3. Faith Formation, Catholic Schools			
a. Conduct PSR on deanery basis...	6	5	
b. Deanery-wide adult faith formation...	7	11	
c. Organize small groups in parishes...	9	5	
d. Promote Nativity of Mary Catholic School...	5	6	
e. Other - Empower St. Mary's to build an orthodox Catholic school	3		
e. Other - Create men's group and they can do projects	1		
e. Other - Promote Catholic education and make it more affordable	1		
e. Other - Internet RCIA	1		
e. Other - Telethon	1		
e. Other - Encourage parish to have Bible studies, book clubs, etc.	1		

	Total Top Priority (1)	Total Back-up Priority (2)	
4. Outreach to those in Need			
a. Coordinate outreach ministries...	8	13	
b. Assess types of outreach ministries...	17	4	
c. Deanery approach social justice...	1	1	
d. Other - None	1	1	
d. Other - Continue and grow current outreach programs		2	
d. Other - Shuttle bus to bring elderly to Mass	1		
d. Other - Outreach to recent college students	1		
d. Other - Use old St. Mary's buildings for outreach and service to poor		1	
d. Other - More community activities	1		
	Total Top Priority (1)	Total Back-up Priority (2)	
5. Community Building and Communications			
a. Establish a committee...	11	11	
b. Meet with parishioners...	13	6	
c. Promote discipleship-based approach...		2	
d. Develop communications strategy...	8	5	
e. Other - Parish and Pastor Solutions Only	1		
e. Other - Preach on contraception and natural family planning	1		
e. Other - Continue to minister to the people we have		1	
e. Other - Create groups based on traditional models such as Legion of Mary	2		

Weekly Contribution Income

December 12 (not available)

Annual Contribution Income

Envelopes: \$	December Actual: \$	6645.50
Plate: \$	December Budget: \$	18,076.92
Online: \$		

Total Contributions: \$	Year-to-Date Actual: \$	113,123.95
	Year-to-Date Budget: \$	106,068.56

(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.

Altar & Rosary

Wishing everyone God's wonderful gifts of faith, hope, peace and love at Christmas and always. Thank you for supporting Altar & Rosary.

Here We Come A-Caroling:*A St. Mary's Candlelight Christmas Caroling Party*

When: Thursday, December 23, at 6pm with free dinner & dessert following in Fitz Hall after caroling



Come and help decorate the church for Christmas on Tuesday, December 21st! We'll start at 9am and go until finished, dividing up into different areas of the church so that everything runs smoothly.

*St. Mary's Christmas Flower Memorials and Honorarium*

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Brice in memory of The Brice and Courtier Families, Living and Deceased

Robert and Ann Brousseau in memory of Roland Brosseau, George & Aurelia Pavela, & Michael J Pavela

Ms. Elizabeth Ramirez in memory of Julio Ramirez, Sr., Michael J Polina, Julian & Nestora Polina, Mary Ann Polina, Aurora Gorbett

Ms. Petra Rangel in memory of Delores & Charlie Cruz, Mr. & Mrs. Cruz, Marty Rangel, & Ruben Rangel

Mrs. Mary Johnson in memory of Edward Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. G Verhulst

Mrs. Kathy McMullen in memory of Corky & Martha Campion, Fred & Mary McMullen, Sr.

Mr. & Mrs. William Hart in memory of Mr. & Mrs. William Hart, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. John Carroll, Mart Hart, Jerry Barnosky, & Mary Margaret Hart

Robert and Vallaire Bruns in memory of The Mahoney Family, Bruns Family, & Castillo Family

Jeannine Schmedding in memory of Audrey Schmedding and Rex Springfield

*St. Mary's 2021 Christmas Flower Donations*

Roger & Paula Cummings

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