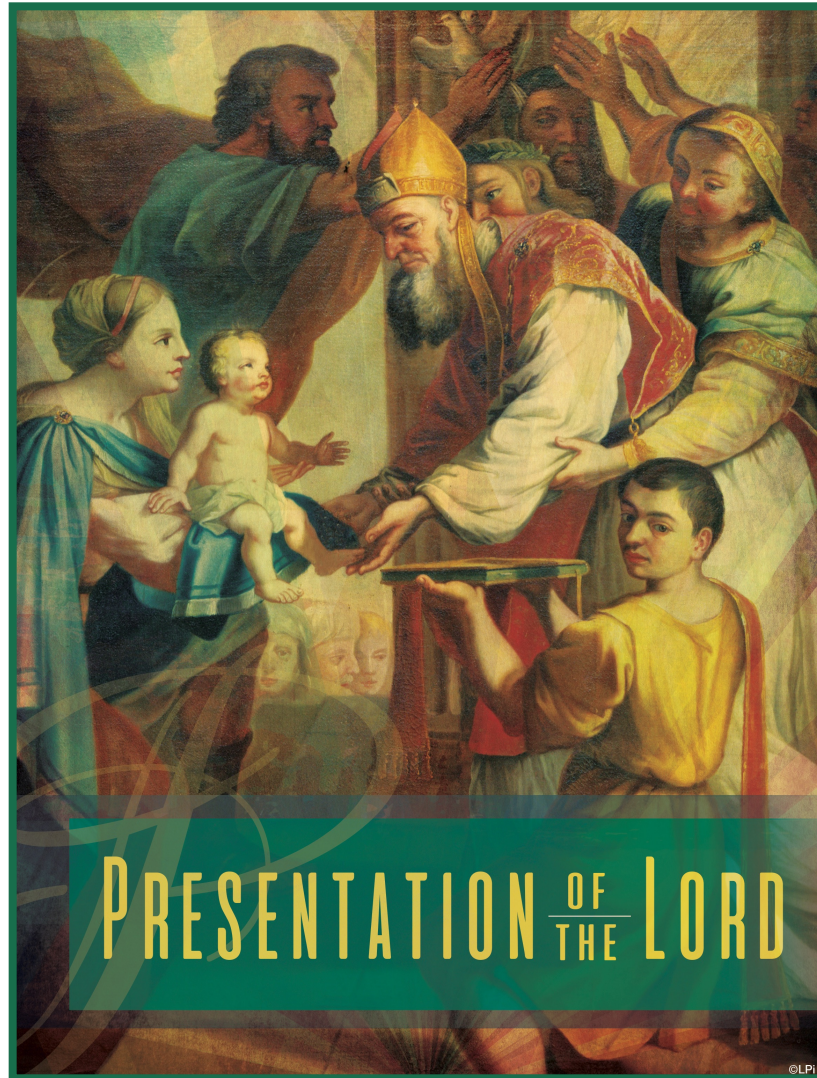


Saint Mary's Catholic Church



February 3, 2019 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings and Psalm: pgs. 361-364

Mass setting: pg. 850 Missa Simplex I (@5pm and @8am); pg. 873 Missa de Angelis (@11)

Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas (before Mass): pg. 1000

Entrance Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy #126

Entrance Antiphon: *Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice...(pg. 936 #113)*

Responsorial Psalm: *I will sing of your salvation.*

Offertory Hymn: Now Thank We All Our God #115

Communion Antiphon: *"Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God." Illumina @11*

Communion Hymn: The King of Love My Shepherd Is #109

Marian Antiphon: Salve Regina #124

Recessional Hymn: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #93

Saturday February 2nd The Presentation of the Lord

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Candlemas of the Innocents- (David Huey+)

6:00pm - Reception (FH)

Sunday February 3rd Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Rosa Quintanilla)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass~ (St. Mary Parishioners)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (For the restoration of health for all parishioners who are ill)

Monday February 4

11:30 am -Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Debbie Gilbert)

Tuesday February 5 Saint Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass- (Rev. Matthew Bartulica and all priests of the diocese)

Wednesday February 6 Saint Paul Mikki & Companions

Adoration after noon Mass today until Thursday evening @ 6:00pm

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm-Mass - (Living & deceased relatives, friends, benefactors, and malefactors of Sr. Teresita)

Thursday February 7 Sts. Jerome Emilliani, and Josephine Bakhita

Adoration today until 6:00pm

10:00am - Secular Franciscans (MC)

5:30pm - Confessions

6:00pm - Mass- (Felicia Davis)

Friday February 8

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass~ (Holy Souls in Purgatory)

Saturday February 9

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm -Mass - (St. Mary Parishioners)

Sunday February 10 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Linda McDermott+)

9:00am - Scout Sunday reception (FH)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass~ (Marie Costello+)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Mother Abbess Cecilia)

Mass Times:

Monday - Friday @ 12:00 Noon

Saturday @ 5:00pm

Sunday @ 8:00am, 11:00am &
5:00pm

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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.

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Wed. & Thurs 9:00am - 12:00pm

Feb. 2 & 3, 2019
1st Week

Altar Servers:

5:00pm - Volunteers
8:00am - T&T Spooner, W
Pappas
11:00am - A Talato, N
Smith, E & J Diamond, M
Deggendorf
Lectors:
5:00pm - T. Douglas
8:00am - M Pontalio
11:00am - E. Ball

Feb. 9 & 10, 2019
2nd Week

Altar Servers:

5:00pm - Volunteers
8:00am - A Rincon, W
Pappas
11:00am - A Talato, N
Smith, E & J Diamond, M
Deggendorf
Lectors:
5:00pm - J. LeMay
8:00am - L. Gibbons
11:00am - E. Holder

Readings for the week of February 3, 2019

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6,
15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/
Lk 4:21-30
Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 23, 24 [25]/
Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30,
31-32 [cf. 27b]/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2,
13-14, 17-18a [cf. 17]/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab,
3cd-4, 9, 10-11 [cf. 10]/Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc [1a]/
Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4,
5, 6 [1]/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5,
7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and
FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Jeffery Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Betty
Underwood, Annie Moran, David Barrett, Mary
Pappas, Anthony Rizzi, Bob Trusty, KE Hun Ngo,
Bob DeSchepper, Roberta Vargas, Richard McAfee,
Pat Hermann

**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)
Cpl Trevor Melton - Camp Pendleton, CA (Grandson
of Marilyn Pontalio)
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)

Collection: 1/27/2019:	5,848
Year to date contributions:	19,747



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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, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, 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.

Why Everyone should wear the Miraculous Medal! By Sister Joanna Marie, L.M.

On February 2, we had the great joy of receiving two new Postulants, Sister Christina and Sister Andromeda, into our *Labor Mariae* community. They were invested with the Miraculous Medal, which each *Labor Mariae* Sister gratefully wears from the very start of her Religious Life. But this treasure is not just for Sisters...it is for *everyone!*

On Rue du Bac in Paris, on November 27, 1830, a young novice named Sister Catherine Labouré, experienced an apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary. While praying in the chapel, she heard a rustling sound, as of a silk dress, and looking up, beheld Our Lady standing near a picture of St. Joseph. She described her height as medium and "her countenance so beautiful that it would be impossible for me to describe it." She wore a robe the color of "auroral light" and a white veil. A globe rested under her feet, half of which was visible. Her hands were raised to about the level of her waist, and she was gracefully holding another globe, signifying the universe. With a radiant expression, she raised her eyes to Heaven and lifted the globe, offering it to Our Lord.

St. Catherine goes on: "Suddenly, her fingers were filled with rings and most beautiful precious stones..." The stones varied in size and emitted brilliant rays, although the smaller the stones, the less brilliant the rays shining from them. "The rays gleaming forth and reflected on all sides enveloped her in such dazzling light that I could see neither her feet nor her robe." Our Lady said: "The globe you see represents the entire world, and particularly France, and each person in particular." She went on: "Behold the symbol of the graces I shed upon those who ask me for them." An oval frame now appeared around Our Lady, upon which appeared, in letters of gold, the invocation: "O Mary! Conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!" A voice then said: "Have a medal struck upon this model. Persons who wear it indulgenced, will receive great graces, specially if they wear it around the neck; graces will be abundantly bestowed, upon those who have confidence."

Suddenly, the image seemed to reverse itself, and now St. Catherine beheld a letter M surmounted by a Cross with a bar at its base. Under this monogram were the Sacred Heart of Jesus, crowned with thorns, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, transpierced with a sword. The unity of the letter M and the Cross symbolize how Jesus and Mary together lead us to salvation. Their two hearts remind us of their love for us and the suffering they endured.

The back of the medal also pictures 12 stars surrounding the previously described symbols. These signify the 12 Apostles, the leaders of God's Church, of which Mary is Mother and Queen. On the front of the medal, there is also pictured a serpent being crushed under Our Lady's feet, symbolizing her victory over Satan, sin, and death; the date of the apparition, 1830, also appears on the front of the medal.

The first 1500 medals were struck and distributed in France in 1832. Almost immediately, news of miraculous cures, conversions, and other favors were being reported. The demand for the medal was immense, and it was distributed rapidly and widely, throughout the world. Devotion to Our Lady under the title of "The Immaculate Conception" grew. Finally, on December 8th, 1854, Pope Pius IX, to the great joy of the entire Catholic world, solemnly defined the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, stating "that the Blessed Virgin Mary was preserved and exempt from all stain of original sin, from the first instant of her conception, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of men, is a doctrine revealed by God, for this reason, all the faithful must believe it with firm and unwavering faith."

Wearing the Miraculous Medal and praying the short prayer recommended by Our Lady is very simple. It is not magic or superstition, as some non-Catholics may argue. It is what the church calls a sacramental which are "sacred signs which bear a resemblance to the sacraments. They signify effects, particularly of a spiritual nature, which are obtained through the intercession of the Church. By them, men are disposed to receive the chief effect of the sacraments and various occasions in life are rendered holy." (CCC, No. 1667). Think of the Miraculous Medal as a key-hole. By itself it cannot do anything, but when we insert the "key" of our confidence and our prayer, the "door" of our heart is opened, and Mary pours grace into it. Is it any wonder that Jesus comes eagerly into the hearts of those who wear the Miraculous Medal? It seems He cannot resist living in hearts over which the image of His Immaculate Virgin Mother rests!

I consider wearing the Miraculous Medal one of the greatest privileges of my life. I wish that everyone would accept this beautiful gift from Our Lady, and spread its devotion far and wide! If you would like to be invested with the Miraculous Medal, please ask Father Matthew or the Sisters.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!



Annual St. Mary Stakes Horse Race

We are just 3 weeks out from **St Mary Stakes Horse Race** to benefit Fitz Hall renovations and our Labor Mariae Sisters - To get ready, here's what you need to do:

Sign up to own horses, jockeys, or both - Sign up for any number of horses, jockeys or both as you want. Indicate horse & jockey names to use during the races. This is a perfect way to get creative or to honor family, friends, loved ones or anything special in your life...

To get in the race, all the ways listed above, visit our Home Doc Website, <https://tinyurl.com/ycmc4oe9> then go under "Upcoming Council / Parish Events" - **St Mary Stakes Horse Race - Tickets / Participation Sign Ups**

We will see you at this years race, **Saturday, February 16th at 6pm!**



St. Mary's Winter Weather Policy:
If the Independence School District is closed due to **ICE or SNOW**, the Parish offices will be closed and all parish sponsored events are canceled.
THIS INCLUDES ADORATION.

If the Independence School district is closed due to **COLD TEMPERATURE**, the parish offices will remain open and all parish sponsored events will continue as scheduled, **INCLUDING ADORATION.**

Mass will NEVER be canceled due to inclement weather. Please use your good judgment.

The **Maidens of the Miraculous Medal** will meet on **Saturday, February 9th**, from 8:30-11:30 AM, beginning with Mass at 8:30 AM. Girls and young ladies ages 7-16 are invited. To learn more about the Maidens of the Miraculous Medal, **please contact Sr. Maria Josepha at filiaelaborismariae@gmail.com or 415-310-7598.** The Maidens meetings are an opportunity to foster prayer, to serve in the sacristy on behalf of our community, and to work in imitation of our Lady—behind the scenes and all for Jesus!

Meetings

The **General A&R** will meet on **Thursday, February 14th @ 6:30pm**, in the Ministry Center.

The **Guild** will meet on **Wednesday, February 20th, 1:30pm** in the Ministry Center.

Circle 6 will meet on **Wednesday, February 27th, 6:30pm**, in the Ministry Center

Sweetheart Bake Sale

Please mark your calendars for our annual Sweetheart Bake Sale that will be held the weekend of February 9th, before/after all masses. 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!

Bunko

Bunko Ladies Night **Saturday, February 23rd, 6:00pm, Fitz Hall.** Sandwiches will be served but please bring a snack to share. **\$5.00 per person.** All ladies welcomed!

Please note: This is weather permitting. If the weather seems questionable, please contact Cathy Anderson @ 718-6547 to inquire if this event has been canceled.

Blood Drive

Seeking a disciple/disciples to head up the annual blood drive. If you are interested in heading up the blood drive beginning in 2019 or would like more information, please contact **Cathy Anderson, 718-6547** or **catherineanderson2@comcast.net**. Please be sure to put in the subject line "blood drive". You do not need to be a member of the Altar & Rosary Society, anyone can be in charge. There are two Blood Drives per year. Our donations help many people in need. Let's make this St Mary's tradition a continued success.