



# St. Mary's Parish

JANUARY 7, 2024: EPIPHANY OF THE LORD | HOLY FAMILY

## Mass Times

MONDAY: 12 noon (OF)

TUESDAY: No Mass

WEDNESDAY: 12 noon (OF)

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)

## Confession Times

MONDAY: 11:30am

TUESDAY: No Confession

WEDNESDAY: 11:30am

THURSDAY: 5:00pm

FRIDAY: 11:30am

SATURDAY: 4:00pm

SUNDAY: 7:15am & 4:00pm

## Adoration Times

WEDNESDAY: 1pm - 9pm

THURSDAY: 7am - 6pm



## MORNING & EVENING PRAYER

### THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Through the Liturgy of the Hours, the Church prays in common throughout the world and sanctifies the hours of the day.



EVENING PRAYER: FRIDAYS AT 6:00PM

MORNING PRAYER: SUNDAYS @ 10:30AM

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. - Mt 2:10

## DÍA DE LA EPIFANÍA DEL SEÑOR

Al ver de nuevo la estrella, se llenaron de inmensa alegría. Entraron en la casa y vieron al niño con María, su madre. - Mt 2, 10

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 6***St. André Bessette***8:00am** No Mass**4:00pm** Confessions**5:00pm** Mass (OF)  
(+Francis Ketterlin)**SUNDAY, JANUARY 7***Epiphany of the Lord***7:15am** Confessions**8:00am** Mass (OF)  
(Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Cyril's)**11:00am** Mass (OF)  
(+Linda Williams)**4:00pm** Confessions**5:00pm** Mass (High Mass)  
(+Bill Johnson)**MONDAY, JANUARY 8***Baptism of the Lord***8:00am** Mass  
(+James Sage)**11:30am** Confessions**Noon** Mass  
(Rob Paul)**6:30pm** Choir Practice**TUESDAY, JANUARY 9***Tuesday of the 1st Week in OT***4:00pm** Youth Catechesis**6:00pm** Mass**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10***Wednesday of the 1st Week in OT***11:30am** Confessions**Noon** Mass  
(+Francis and George Martin)**9:00pm** Adoration Concludes**THURSDAY, JANUARY 11***Thursday of the 1st Week in OT***7:00am** Adoration Begins**5:00pm** Confessions**6:00pm** Mass (Low Mass)  
(Dale Olson)**FRIDAY, JANUARY 12***Friday of the 1st Week in OT***11:30am** Confessions**Noon** Mass  
(Alana McDonald)**5:00pm** Holy Hour/Confessions**6:00pm** Vespers**6:00pm** Men of St. Joseph**SATURDAY, JANUARY 13***St. Hilary of Poitiers***1:00pm** Server Practice**4:00pm** Confessions**5:00pm** Mass (OF)  
(Intentions of Jim and Dixie Altman)**NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 14***Second Sunday in Ordinary Time***7:15am** Confessions**8:00am** Mass (OF)

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**10:30am** Morning Prayer**11:00am** Mass (OF)

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**Noon** Exemplification**4:00pm** Confessions**5:00pm** Mass (Low Mass)  
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ENVELOPES:	\$	906.00
PLATE:	\$	1,289.00
ONLINE:	\$	335.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,530.50</b>

**ANNUAL**

DECEMBER ACTUAL:	\$20,460.50
DECEMBER BUDGET:	\$19,583.33

YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL: \$117,028.50

YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET: \$117,499.98

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

FAMILIES	43	TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	\$7,541.00
GOAL	112	GOAL	\$9,142.00

(FISCAL YEAR IS JULY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30)

**PARISH REGISTRATION***New parishioners: Please fill out a parish registration form either on the parish website or by filling out a printed form near the church entrances.*

## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD | HOLY FAMILY

*Readings, text of the antiphons, and Responsorial Psalm: pgs. 77-79*

**Mass Setting:** Missa de Angelis pg. 873

**Entrance Hymn:** Hail to the Lord's Anointed #35

**Entrance Antiphon:** Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come ... (pg. 944 #34)

**Offertory Hymn:** Songs of Thankfulness and Praise #34

**Communion Antiphon:** We have seen his star in the East... (pg. 914 #36)

**Communion Hymn:** We Three Kings of Orient Are #37

**Marian antiphon:** Alma Redemptoris Mater #5

**Recessional:** As With Gladness, Men of Old #36

## CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Year end contribution statements are now available. If you need your 2023 contribution statement, please contact Tony Douglas by phone or text at 816-304-1951 or email at [tony@saintmarysparish.org](mailto:tony@saintmarysparish.org).

## EXECUTIVE SECRETARY HELP WANTED

St. Mary's is looking for an *Executive Secretary* to help manage the parish office. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact Fr. Kendall. We are anticipating conducting interviews over the next two weeks.

## EPIPHANY BLESSINGS 20 + C + M + B + 24

Through the Epiphany Blessing we rededicate our homes and families to the Lord each year, asking his blessings and protection upon all of those who live in our home and the visitors as well. We also remind ourselves to greet everyone who crosses our threshold as the Wisemen greeted the Christ Child, not with real gold, frankincense and myrrh, but with the honor, dignity and generosity.

Blessed chalk and Epiphany Water to use for the blessing are available by the main entrance of the church.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

### OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS

Mary D'Angelo, Mary Lou Larsen, William Carlson, Mary and Bob Brice, Clarence Maine, Kathleen Holcro, David Barchak, Kevin and Alicia Connell, Mark Robertson, Eva Rohrbach, Colleen Grosvenor, Janet Howe, Emily Bagley, Janet Howe, Rita Williams, Martin Pope, Shelby Monaco, Mary Messina, Jane Whiting, Phyllis Miller, Julie & Brian Worden, Raymond & Lucy Castellano, Kenneth Gorham, Barbara Hazelrigg, Colleen Grosvenor

### OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:

CPL Victor Rangel  
U.S. MARINE CORPS  
CAMP PENDLETON, CA  
Son of Phil & Julie Rangel

SFC. Christopher Kinnaman  
WAINWRIGHT, AK  
Grandson of Betty Kinnaman

IC3 Christina Smith  
wife of Josiah Smith,  
Grandson of Mary Smith

Airman Tommy Romano  
ARIANO, ITALY  
Nephew of Sr. Teresita

SSgt Christopher Wood  
U.S. MARINE CORPS  
CAMP PENDLETON, CA  
Grandson of Jean Wilcox

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. MARY'S

Ordinary Time Begins  
Knights of Columbus Exemplification  
Marian Conference  
Adoration with Confessions  
Lessons and Carols & Silent Auction

**Jan. 9th**  
**Jan. 14th**  
**Feb. 16-18th**



## PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS MR. EZRA MWAURA

HOME PARISH: ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE  
YEAR: PRE-THEOLOGY I  
SEMINARY: CONCEPTION SEMINARY  
BIRTHDAY: NOVEMBER 29



## ONLINE GIVING

### NEW SERVICE!!!

St. Mary's is using a new service for online giving.

This change will both save us thousands of dollars each year and allows us to process regular credit card payments.

You can sign up with the new service by going to our website and select the online giving option or by going to:

<https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarysparish/giving/funds/offertory>

If you were previously signed up with online giving please sign up for the new service. The current service will be canceled on January 15th.

## ST. MARY'S OUTREACH AGENCY

FOOD, CLOTHING & PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION ASSISTANCE

(816) 252-8649

### Hours

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

**Food Items Needed:** Instant potatoes, Box stuffing (dressing), canned fruit, chili seasoning packets, cake mixes and frosting and jello.

**Clothing Items Needed:** Winter clothing, blankets and coats for men, women and children. Women's bras and underwear are also needed.



Retrouvaille is for married couples struggling in their relationship who desire to work through their problems and find healing in Christ. The next Kansas City weekend for Retrouvaille is January 16, 2024.

For more details go to [helpourmarriage.org](http://helpourmarriage.org) or call 800-470-2230.

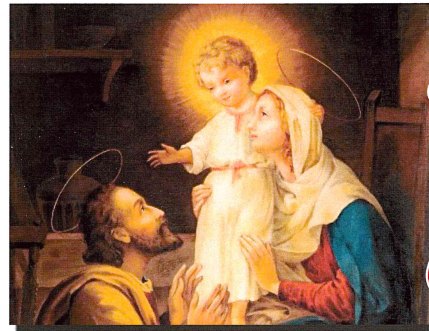
## MYSTERY OF FAITH

### WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH . . .

The Church gives us 3 options for the proclamation of the Mystery of Faith. As we enter Ordinary Time, we will be using the proclamation: We proclaim your death O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

In this, we summarize the source of our hope and faith and recognize the Mystery. We do not understand fully how the death of the Son of God and His resurrection saves us, but we know and trust that it has been accomplished and that he will come again.

## Eucharistic Marian Conference



*Save  
the  
Date*

**February 16, 17, 18, 2024**

*My Soul magnifies the Lord, and my  
Spirit rejoices in God, my Savior.*

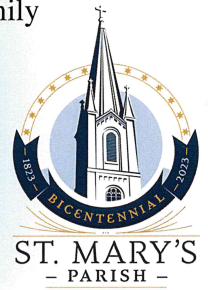
**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**Rev. Kendall Ketterlin**

As St. John Paul II said, "The Holy Family is the beginning of countless other holy families. The history of mankind, the history of Salvation, passes by the way of the family. " "To show how the family is placed at the center of the great struggle between good and evil, between life and death, between love and all that is opposed to 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](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 Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or [true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.



# CATECHESIS AND CATHOLIC CULTURE



**CHRISTMAS AND THE PROMISE OF PEACE IN CHRIST:** Christmas is one of the most joyful and hopefully peaceful seasons. Join Dr. Michael Patrick Barber as he takes us through the biblical roots of many beloved Christmas traditions and explains how we can find peace in Christ and be filled with joy this Christmas season.

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.



**Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe & the Cristero Saints of Mexico**

Fr. Ketterlin will be leading a pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and places of the Cristero Martyrs. For more information, please pick up a flyer by the church entrance or visit: [www.206tours.com/frketterlin](http://www.206tours.com/frketterlin)

## KNIGHTS INDUCTION CEREMONY

### PUTTING YOUR FAITH INTO PRACTICE

Ever considered becoming a Knight of Columbus? Now is your chance! Your St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council will be holding an induction ceremony called an Exemplification on Sunday, **January 14, 2024** directly after the 11:00am Mass. The Knights will hold a luncheon for new members and their families after the ceremony. You may be thinking, "What do I need to do to prepare?" Nothing, just show up with a desire to join the knighthood and be a practicing Catholic. Throughout the course of the year, your Council will conduct drives to help the disabled, provide coats for disadvantaged children, advocate for life, support single mothers, and many other charitable causes. Please consider putting your Faith into Practice by joining the Knights!



## PASTOR'S CORNER

### *Who is Jesus?*

While this is one of the most basic and important questions, few of us would be ready to answer this question if someone asked it of us. When you consider the Son of God, born of a virgin, who healed the sick, cured the blind, freed the possessed, bore the weight of the sin of the world, died, was buried, rose from the dead and reopened the Gates of Salvation, where do you begin? But what about the call to repentance and the forgiveness of sins? And the proclamation of the Kingdom of God?

Each of the Gospels shared the same dilemma, particularly when it came to the announcement of Jesus' birth. Like any story, they needed to find a way to announce who this was that was born and why we should want to hear more of his story. The Gospel of Luke gives us the traditional Christmas story, a narrative account of the events that led to Jesus' birth. Mark jumps right into the mission of Christ with his baptism, anointing of the Holy Spirit and declaration that he is God's Beloved Son. John goes to the very beginning, recalling the Word that was God and was with God, coming into the flesh. The Gospel of Matthew begins with the recounting of the generations from Abraham to Jesus. In this way he communicates all of the promises, the witnesses to God's love and the intricacy with which the Creator of the Universe wrote the birth of His Son into the fabric of history. But there is more. The Gospel also sight to communicate the mystery of Christ to those outside of Israel—they would not know who Abraham, Boaz and Ruth where. This is where the three magi came in, literally. The gifts that they brought both recognized and announced who this child was.

Gold, frankincense and myrrh. Who is Jesus? He is the king of kings. All creation on earth looks to him. He governs all nations. His wisdom surpasses that of all kings who have ever lived. He is the model for all who govern others, to show us the way of compassion, humility, of leadership and is command and control of all things.

Who is Jesus? He is the priest of priests, revealed in the incense. Not only is he concerned about our daily life, but he stands before us to God, his Father. He leads us to holiness, teaches us what is good and raises our prayers to God.

Who is Jesus? He is the one who has given his life for us and his death will be fragrant as incense and pleasing to God. Through his death, we find freedom and forgiveness of sins; death itself will be conquered and the gates of eternal life reopened.

Through gold, frankincense and myrrh, the wisemen announce to us the Jesus is the Lord over our earthly life, our heavenly life and the life in the world to come.