



St. Mary's Parish

JANUARY 14, 2024: 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

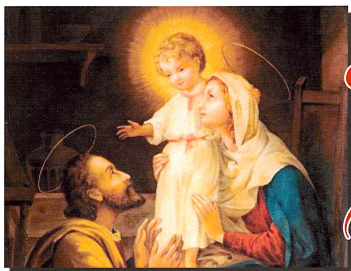
Adoration Times

WEDNESDAY: 1pm - 9pm
THURSDAY: 7am - 6pm



MARIAN CONFERENCE

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
600 N LIBERTY ST.
INDEPENDENCE, MO 64050
Rev. Kendall Ketterlin

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi"—which translated means Teacher—"where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." - Jn 1:38-39a

El se volvió hacia ellos, y viendo que lo seguían, les preguntó: "¿Qué buscan?" Ellos le contestaron: "¿Dónde vives, Rabi?" (Rabí significa "maestro"). El les dijo: "Vengan a ver". - Jn 1, 38-39

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

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13
St. Hilary of Poitiers
4:00pm Confessions
5:00pm Mass (OF)
(*Intentions of Jim and Dixie Altman*)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:15am Confessions
8:00am Mass (OF)
(+ *Larry and Joan Ward*)
11:00am Mass (OF)
(*Cindy Chambers*)
4:00pm Confessions
5:00pm Mass (High Mass)
(+ *Fr. Robert Noel Deming*)

MONDAY, JANUARY 15
Monday of the 2nd Week in OT

11:30am Confessions
Noon Mass
(+ *Jerry Britt*)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16
Tuesday of the 2nd Week in OT

No Mass

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17
St. Antony

11:30am Confessions
Noon Mass
(*Adela Myers*)
9:00pm Adoration Concludes

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18
Thursday of the 2nd Week in OT
7:00am Adoration Begins
5:00pm Confessions
6:00pm Mass (Low Mass)
(+ *Adeline and Richard Drexler*)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19
Friday of the 2nd Week in OT

11:30am Confessions
Noon Mass
(*All Unborn Children*)
6:00pm Vespers

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20
Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

4:00pm Confessions
5:00pm Mass (OF)
(*Pat Stone*)

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 21
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:15am Confessions
8:00am Mass (OF)
(*Martin Pope*)
11:00am Mass (OF)
(*Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Cyril's*)
5:00pm Mass (Low Mass)
(*David McDonald*)

** Fr. Amthor from Nativity of Mary will be celebrating Masses on Saturday evening and Sunday Morning the 21st.*

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CONTRIBUTION INCOME

January 7, 2024

WEEKLY

ENVELOPES:	\$	2,328.00
PLATE:	\$	2,800.00
ONLINE:	\$	677.00
TOTAL	\$	5,805.00

ANNUAL

JANUARY ACTUAL:	\$	5,805.00
JANUARY BUDGET:	\$	19,583.33

YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL:	\$123,443.05
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET:	\$137,083.31

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

FAMILIES	44	TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	\$7,641.00
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.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Readings, text of the antiphons, and Responsorial Psalm: pgs. 335-337

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex I pg.

Entrance Hymn: All People That On Earth Do Dwell #85

Entrance Antiphon: All the earth shall bow down before You, O God...

Offertory Hymn: Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life #85

Communion Antiphon: I will come to the altar of God...

Communion Hymn: O Lord, I Am Not Worthy #114

Marian antiphon: Alma Redemptoris Mater #5

Recessional: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee #82

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

PRESENTING VATICAN II

After taking time off in December, meeting of the Men of St. Joseph has resumed.

We meet every other Friday, immediately following Vespers. All men are invited and welcome to join us in learning more about our Faith and teachings of the Church.

The presentations are designed so that you do not have to attend every session.

The next meeting will be Jan. 26th

MARIAN CONFERENCE

FEB. 16, 17, AND 18

St. Mary's Parish will be hosting a Marian Conference Feb. 16th - 18th. During the conference we will have several speakers: Fr. Viviano, Fr. Andrew Kleine, Fr. Sean McCaffery, Dr. Gregory Mary, Mr. Dominic Rizzi, and several others over the course of the 3 days. There will also be a large showing of relics and author books available throughout the event.

Contact the parish office to register—no fee required. 816-252-0121 or smoffice@saintmarysparish.org

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

Knights of Columbus Exemplification
3rd Sunday Food and Fellowship
Bicentennial Commemorative Painting Unveiling
Men of St. Joseph
Ash Wednesday
Marian Conference

Jan. 14th
Jan. 20/21st
Jan. 21st
Jan. 26th
Feb. 14th
Feb. 16-18th



PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS MR. JACK OXLEY

HOME PARISH: CHRIST THE KING
YEAR: PRE-THEOLOGY I
SEMINARY: CONCEPTION SEMINARY
BIRTHDAY: SEPTEMBER 29



ROSES FOR LIFE

The recent Supreme Court overturn of Roe vs. Wade ended the fight for the unborn, Right? WRONG. In Missouri alone, pro-abortion forces submitted 11 bills in 2023 to amend our State Constitution to enshrine a Right to Abortion. 11! They failed, but these forces have vowed to relentlessly make the right to abortion a major 2024 Election issue. Now, more than ever, is the time to make your voice heard in the Defense of Life! Your Knights of Columbus Council will be distributing Roses and asking you to sign Pro-Life petitions to our Missouri State Representatives at the end of all Masses the Weekends of January 13th and 20th. Please prayerfully consider donating to this noble effort. Let's send a clear message to our elected officials that we will not tolerate the murder of the unborn in Missouri!

MYPARISH APP

WEATHER EVENTS AND NOTIFICATIONS

Keep up with parish news and events with the MyParish App. Especially this time of the year, if there any cancelations or parish closures due to the weather, we will send notices out through the **MyParish App**.

It's easy to download through your phone's app store and search for "St. Mary's Catholic Church" in Independence.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

JAN. 18TH-25TH

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has a history of over 100 years, in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. By annually observing the WPCU, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." (cf. John 17:21)

In particular, we pray for the union of the Latin, Eastern and Orthodox Churches.

ST. MARY'S GIFT SHOP

"JUST IN TIME FOR THE WINTER SEASON."

We have in stock a selection of new St. Mary's Bicentennial souvenirs.

*Sweatshirts in blue or white.

*Long sleeve tee shirts in blue or white.

*Beanies in grey, white or blue.

We also have a supply of coffee mugs, pub glasses, coasters, tee shirts, travel tumblers, water bottles and ornaments.

To help pass the time while the nights are so long, we have two new 1000 piece religious themed puzzles and the four classic puzzles from last year.

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.

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.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are inching closer toward meeting the goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal, help us close out the final bit. The last count has us at 44 contributing families for a total of \$7,641. We need just \$1,500 more to reach the parish goal. If 30 families (12.5% of the parish, pledge \$50, we'll reach both goals for participation and total amount.

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.



INFANT OF PRAGUE

Those who have visited the cry room recently have noticed a new edition. The Infant of Prague statue that was previously at St. Ann's has been installed. While devotion to the Infant has been around for many centuries, it was following the strong devotion of St. Teresa of Jesus (Teresa of Avila) that it took on a more common and widespread practice throughout the world.

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.



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



VISITING PRIEST

January 20th and 21st, Fr. Amthor will be celebrating the Saturday 5pm and Sunday Morning Masses. He is the Pastor at Nativity of Mary here in Independence.



PASTOR'S CORNER

2nd Sunday After Epiphany or Ordinary Time?

This Sunday, we celebrate the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. (If you are wondering what happened to the First Sunday, it was last week. The Baptism of the Lord is always celebrated on the First Sunday, and because of the way the calendar falls this year, we celebrated the Baptism of the Lord on Monday). This marks a time in the calendar that is more normal. It reminds us that there is a regular rhythm and flow to life at times. We fall into routines and habits. There is a certain sense of stability and an ability to relax. This is a very good thing. There is a beauty to our life itself, without the need to add highlights and grand events. It reminds us that there is great blessing in the ordinary. Yet at the same time, we remember that there are times for grand events and special celebrations, and there are even times when struggles and hardships come, and we long for life to get back to normal (this is Advent and Lent).

Coming into Ordinary Time is actually something very new for the Church. It has been only for about 50 years that we have named the calendar this way; it is a product of Vatican II. For Centuries prior to that, this was always the Time After Epiphany. Today was described as the Second Sunday After Epiphany. The Church marked time by looking at our relationship to the grand events and celebrations. It was not so much that we would recall how long has passed since these events, but that time is sanctified and directed by them, and that they leave their mark. So that during these weeks, we are effected by, and think more about the continuing Epiphany of the Lord. In this way we are also drawn back into the eternal nature of Christ and the Divine Life. Epiphany, Easter and Pentecost did not last only 1 day.

The question then often comes: Which way is better? Or, most others would say that they are simply different and equally good, according to whichever way someone prefers. I disagree with both of these ways. It is neither that one is better than the other, or that they are simply different. Rather, they are both necessary and truly good, and are not the only calendars of the Church.

A typical practice for the Eastern Catholic Churches (not the Orthodox), is to mark the more ordinary Sundays such as *Peter Sunday*, *Sunday of the Leper*, or *Cheese Fair*. They are referencing at times the Gospel reading for the day or a major Church action. For them, the calendar is named after what is happening in the Church. This also is necessary.

Each of these ways reveals another facet of the relationship between God, time, the Church and life in the world. These are *Mysteries* so great, that no single way of naming our days is sufficient, but God has given them all to us to deepen our understanding and reveal more to us.

So . . . Sunday is the *2nd Sunday after Epiphany* **and** the *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time* **and** the *Sunday of Zacchaeus*.