



St. Mary's Parish

MAY 12, 2024: ASCENSION OF THE LORD | SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Mass Times

MONDAY: 12 noon
TUESDAY: No Mass
WEDNESDAY: 12 noon
THURSDAY:
FRIDAY:
SATURDAY: 5:00 pm
SUNDAY:

*7:50 am Rosary
8:00 am

*10:50 am Morning Prayer
11:00 am

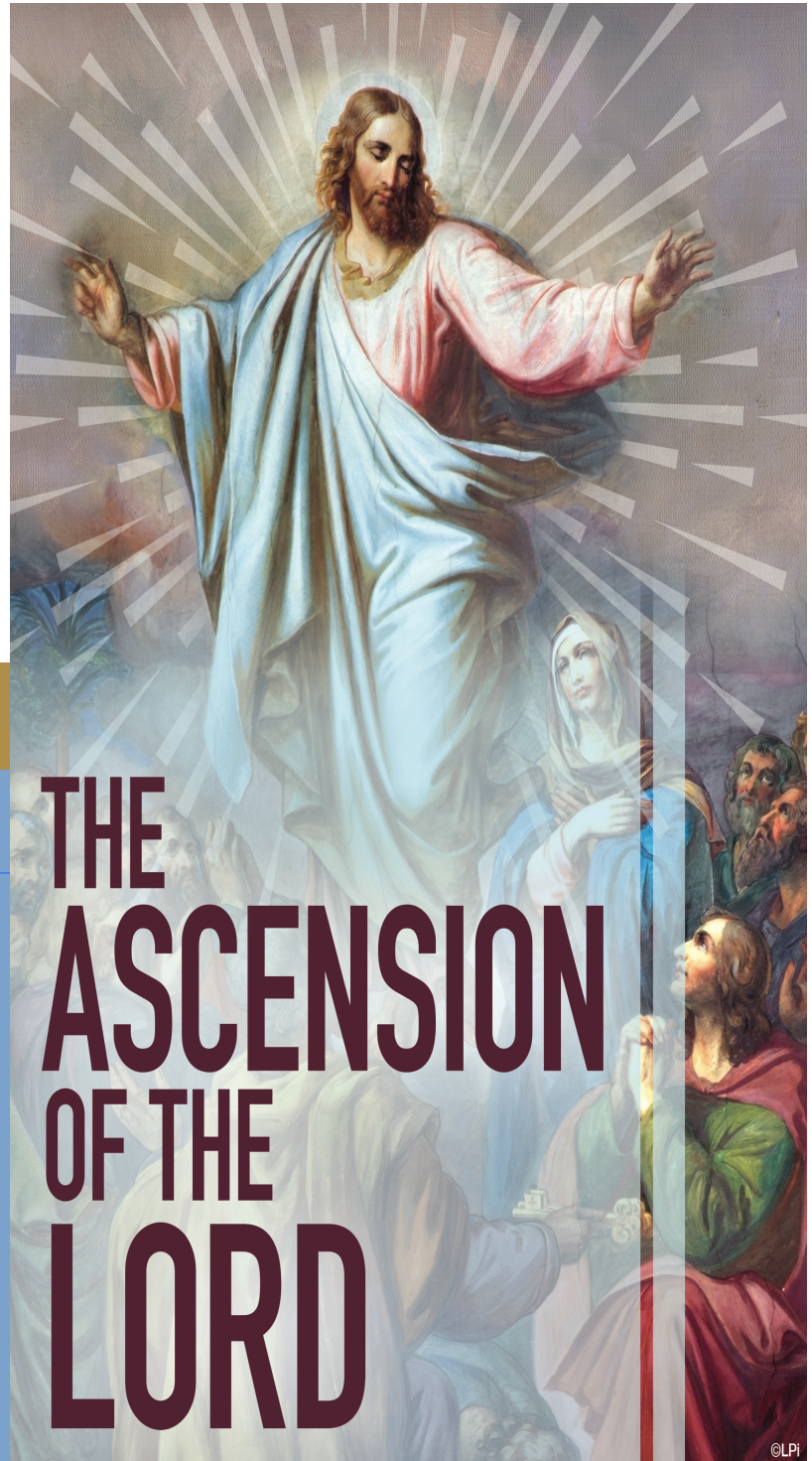
See parish postings for Masses in
the Extraordinary Form.

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



WELCOME RECEPTION

ST. CYRIL'S IN SUGAR CREEK
1914-2024



Please join us this **Sunday, May 12th in Fitzgerald Hall!**

The Knights of Columbus are cooking breakfast to welcome all, after the 8:00am Mass and a reception to also celebrate with our 1st Communicates after the 11am Mass.

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

SATURDAY, MAY 11
Sixth Saturday of Easter

4:00pm Confessions
5:00pm Mass
(*Maren Peek*)

SUNDAY, MAY 12
The Ascension of the Lord

7:15am Confessions
7:30am Rosary
8:00am Mass (OF)
(*Parishioners of St. Mary's*)
9:00am **Welcome Breakfast**
10:30am Morning Prayer
11:00am Mass (OF)
(*+Rolla George Houk*)
Noon Reception celebrating
First Communion
4:00pm Confessions
(*+Mary Scassellati*)

MONDAY, MAY 13
Our Lady of Fatima

11:00am Confessions
Noon Mass
(*Megan Clark*)
6:30pm Choir Practice

TUESDAY, MAY 14
St. Matthias

No Mass
4:00pm Youth Catechesis

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15
St. Isidore

11:30am Confessions
Noon Mass
(*+Robert Turner*)
7:00pm RCIA/Ongoing Formation
9:00pm Adoration Concludes

THURSDAY, MAY 16
Seventh Thursday of Easter

7:00am Adoration Begins
5:00pm Confessions
(*+Bill Fountain*)

FRIDAY, MAY 17
Seventh Friday of Easter

11:30am Confessions
(*+Ruth Ann Nickels*)
6:00pm Vespers

SATURDAY, MAY 18
St. John Paul I

4:00pm Confessions
5:00pm Mass
(*Paul Olson*)

SUNDAY, MAY 19
Pentecost Sunday

7:15am Confessions
7:30am Rosary
8:00am Mass (OF)
(*Christians in the Holy Land*)
9:00am St. Mary Gardner's
Exchange
10:30am Morning Prayer
11:00am Mass (OF)
(*Parishioners of St. Mary's*)
Noon St. Mary Gardner's
Exchange
4:00pm Confessions
(*Bishops of the Catholic Church*)

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CONTRIBUTION INCOME

May 5, 2024

WEEKLY

ENVELOPES: \$ 3,846.00
PLATE: \$ 2,378.00
ONLINE: \$ 380.00
TOTAL \$ 6,604.00

ANNUAL

MAY ACTUAL: \$ 6,604.00
MAY BUDGET: \$ 19,583.33

YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL: \$197,995.32
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET: \$215,416.63

PARISH BUILDING FUND

BALANCE \$2,875.96
GOAL \$10,000.00

AMOUNT NEEDED TO FUND REPAIRS:
~\$25,000.00

(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.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD | SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

Readings, text of the antiphons, and Responsorial Psalm: pgs. 296-299

Mass Setting: Missa Lux et Origo pg. 867-869

Entrance Antiphon: Men of Galilee . . . (pg. 933 #99)

Vidi Aquam: pg. 840

Offertory Antiphon: God goes up with shouts of joy . . . (pg. 934 #104)

Offertory Hymn: Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise #73

Communion Antiphon: Behold, I am with you always. . . (pg. 934, #102)

Communion Hymn: My Happy Home #102

Marian Antiphon: Regina Caeli #61

Recessional: A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing #74

BLESSING FOR MOTHERS

This Sunday we recognize and give thanks not only for our Mothers, but for our spiritual Mothers and the gift of Motherhood God has given us, fulfilled and revealed through the Mary, Mother of the Church. It is also a day especially to pray for those struggling to conceive.



Catholic (In)Fertility Support Group
for married men and women

Saturday, May 18, 2024

9:30am confession

10am Mass

10:45am witness

11am men's/women's small groups

12pm lunch

St. Peter's Parish
815 E. Meyer Blvd
Kansas City, MO 64131

RSVP and more info:
increasekc@gmail.com

You are welcome to come
individually or with your spouse!

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. MATTHIAS

Acts of the Apostles list St. Matthias as the apostle chosen by God through the Apostles to replace Judas Iscariot. St. Matthias is the patron of carpenters, tailors, those with smallpox, and in prayers for perseverance and for hope. His feast day is May 14.

St. Matthias, pray for us.

LATIN MASS

The traditional Latin Mass continues to be celebrated on a weekly basis. However, times for the Latin Mass are not published. Please check the MyParish App or the church vestibule for all times, especially on solemnities.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN

YOUR PRAYERS

OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS

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, Carleen Marble, Brandon Vasquez; Tom Rangel; Brody Witt; Kathryn Falco Mary Lou Larsen, Garrielle Nicas, Sonja Panuco, Harold Mitchell, Bob & Mary Brice; All who have asked Father for prayers.

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

Nathaniel Smith
U.S. NAVY
JAPAN
Son of John & Cynthia Smith

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. MARY'S

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| Last Day of Youth Catechesis | May 14 |
| Diaconal Ordination (at the Cathedral of St. Joseph) | May 18 |
| Unbound Mission- Visiting Priest | May 18-19 |
| St. Mary Gardeners Exchange | May 19 |
| Presbyteral Ordination (at the Cathedral) | May 25 |
| Fr. Ketterlin 5th Priesthood Anniversary Reception | May 25 |
| May Crowning | May 26 |

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

MR. ETHAN OSBORN

HOME PARISH: OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

YEAR: THEOLOGY III

SEMINARY: KENRICK-GLENNON

BIRTHDAY: MARCH 16TH



ALTAR & ROSARY

THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to everyone that supported and helped with our rummage sale. Through your generosity, we collected \$1,367.97. These fundraisers help to support our church with the purchase of wine, altar bread and candles, plus any other special needs that may occur. A special thank you to Kathy Philpott for organizing and overseeing the sale and to her team of helpers. This is a huge task to complete and could not be done without them. God Bless you all!

HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 7PM-8PM

In thanksgiving for our priests! For many more vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. Location: Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Eucharist Convent.

BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

Your **Knight's Council** will be passing out baby bottles beginning Mother's Day and running until Father's Day. Please pick up a bottle, take it home and fill it with change, cash or checks over the next month. All donations will go to Resource Health on Noland and 24 Highway, our local pregnancy resource center. For every \$500 our parish donates, the Knights will contribute an additional \$100. Pregnancy resource centers are lifelines to nearly 2 million women and babies in need and can make the difference between a baby being born or aborted. Please pick up your bottle today!

UNBOUND MISSIONS

MAY 18-19

Next weekend, please welcome Rev. Bernard Robert Bonnot who will be with us to celebrate all the Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 17 developing countries.

To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit Unbound online at www.unbound.org.

ST. MARY'S BOOK STORE

OPEN FOLLOWING ALL SUNDAY MASSES

Mother's Day: It's not too late to give that last minute gift, such as a Rosary, a crucifix, necklace, earrings, prayer book.

1st Communion & Confirmation Gifts: Gifts for First Communion or Confirmation include: First Communion Kits, Children's Missals, Bibles, necklaces, and key rings.

Bicentennial Gifts: How about one of our beautiful "Bicentennial Gifts" for that special day. We have sweatshirts, long sleeve t-shirts, glassware, mugs water bottles, and more!

Location: Entrance door to the right of the sanctuary.

ST. MARY GARDENER'S EXCHANGE

SUNDAY, MAY 19

After the 8am and 11am Masses, visit the Mary Garden to the north of the church. Tables will be set up for you to bring your excess seedings, starts, split perennials, bulbs or seeds (clearly labeled, please!) to share with the community, and browse what others have brought to share!"

ST. MARY'S OUTREACH

FOOD , CLOTHING & PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION
ASSISTANCE CALL (816) 252-8649

HOURS: WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
9:00AM-3:00PM

Outreach Activity for April 2024

Families Served	147	People Served	184
Homeless	21	Clothing Items	127
Pantry Food	679	*USDA Comm	2,327

*This food pantry is an equal opportunity provider

Food Items Needed: jello; carrots, pinto, kidney beans and refried beans in cans; pull-top ravioli and spaghetti; ramen noodle packs;

No clothing items are needed at this time.

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.

BUILDING AND REPAIRS

CARING FOR ST. MARY'S

The parish *Building Fund* provides for both anticipated and unanticipated repairs that are needed from time to time. This is an important part of our stewardship of the parish. I would like to take a moment to share some of the immediate needs and upcoming repairs.

Leak over the Elevator: The membrane on the roof over the elevator has worn over time and this is causing a worsening leak. The repairs are \$15,000 and set to begin as soon as the weather is clear enough.

Sacristy Leak: After months of investigation, it was determined that the duct work for the HVAC units over the main sacristy is the source of a significant leak. We are awaiting the repair estimate on this, which will likely be \$8,000-12,000.

Driveway Wall: The retaining wall along the driveway was damaged last year when workers took down a dead tree. It has taken a long time to find a process and blocks so the repairs would match the existing wall. Tuck painting and repair to the entire wall is \$10,000.

Building Fund: At present we have \$2,875 in the *building fund* account. We still have to pay \$23,000-28,000 on these repairs.

ONGOING FORMATION/RCIA

7:00PM - WEDNESDAY

THE HOLY MASS

This week Fr. Kendall will lead us through the Holy Mass, explaining some of the different parts, symbols and prayers. We will meet in the church at 7:00pm on Wednesday. All are welcome to join.



PRIEST, PROPHET, & KING:

BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, AND THE MISSION OF THE LAY FAITHFUL:

Who are the lay faithful? What does it mean to be a lay faithful in the Church? In this talk, Dr. Arielle Harms discusses how the sacraments of baptism and confirmation define the laity and indicate their role and vocations within the Church.

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.



PASTOR'S CORNER

Vaulting From Easter

Ascension Sunday marks the end of the Easter Season and return to Ordinary Time. It brings to a conclusion the intense celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord, and a return to the ordinary and mundane activities of life. In many ways, we continue to live out the experience of the Apostles who first protested against the Lord leaving and then stood looking to the sky, longing for him to return. It is likely hard for us to truly imagine the weight of the departure. While we have all experienced the departure of someone dear to us and watched them leave when all we wanted was for them to stay, nothing can compare with the joy of being in the company of the risen Jesus, and the collapsing heart of having him leave.

Moving from Easter to the ordinary is a precipitous drop . . . unless we remember what our Lord also told the Apostles: If I do not go, the Paraclete cannot come. There is a lot of Wisdom in the Church over these next few weeks as we leave Easter and go into the Ordinary, as we face the temptation to think mostly on the abandonment and departing of Christ.

Over the next three Sundays we celebrate Pentecost, the Holy Trinity and the Body and Blood of Christ. As the resurrected Lord leaves us, we enter a time of high celebration, and this is the point of the Ascension and his words to the Apostles. Although he is leaving, he is giving to us what we need to engage in the ordinary, mundane and the challenges of bringing the Gospel to the world.

He sends to us the Paraclete, the Advocate and Holy Spirit. The Spirit cannot come if we are holding on too tightly to Christ. This may not make sense at first, but once the Spirit arrives, giving us the gifts of Knowledge, Counsel, Fortitude, Piety and everything else that He offers, we may begin to follow the path that Christ set out for us.

We see also God revealed in the Holy Trinity and in this the fullness of Christ's identity is revealed, and also the role and relationship of the Holy Spirit. Even though we had looked upon the face of the Son of God and seen the Father, in seeing the Holy Trinity, we see God even more clearly and man is brought closer to Him.

And then, in the ordinary, we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, the fullness of the revelation that our Lord did not abandon us and truly leave at the Ascension, but continues to be truly present and at work in the world, even now.

In a way, we are vaulted from Easter, as the Spirit drove us into Lent, to also reveal another part of the Mystery of why he needed to leave. The gift of the Holy Spirit, revelation of the Holy Trinity and presence of the Body and Blood of Christ, is what is needed to raise us, that we may follow him in the Ascension. While Easter is the time of Jesus walking with us here, the Ordinary is when we complete the work of climbing the Mountain to him.