



# St. Mary's Parish

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023: TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## 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



## ADULT CONFIRMATION AND RCIA

NEW SESSIONS FOR ADULTS NEEDING CONFIRMATION  
AND RCIA BEGIN IN OCTOBER



If you or someone you know is in need of confirmation as an adult or interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the parish office or Fr. Ketterlin.

## 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last." - Mt 20:15-16

¿O vas a tenerme rencor porque yo soy bueno?' De igual manera, los últimos serán los primeros, y los primeros, los últimos". - Mt 20, 15-16

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**  
*St. Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)*

**4:00pm** Confessions  
**5:00pm** Mass (OF)  
(Chris & Zola Palmarine)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**  
*25th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**7:15am** Confessions  
**8:00am** Mass (OF)  
(Genevieve Schelle)  
**11:00am** Mass (OF)  
(Mike & Cindy Sweetland 30th Anniversary)  
**4:00pm** Confessions  
**5:00pm** Mass (Low Mass)  
(Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Cyril's)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**  
*Monday of the 25th week in OT*

**11:30am** Confessions  
**Noon** Mass  
(Kevin Fiorella)  
**6:30pm** Choir Practice

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**  
*Sts. Cosmas and Damian*

**The church will be closed for maintenance**  
**No Mass**  
**4:00pm** Youth Catechesis

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**  
*St. Vincent de Paul*

**11:30am** Confessions  
**Noon** Mass  
(+Don Albers)  
**6:30pm** Bible Study  
**9:00pm** Adoration Concludes

**Thursday, September 28**  
*St. Wenceslaus; St. Laurence Ruiz*

**7:00am** Adoration Begins  
**5:00pm** Confessions  
**6:00pm** Mass (Low Mass)  
(+Sr. Henrie Marie)

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**  
*Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael*

**11:30am** Confessions  
**Noon** Mass (Low Mass)  
(Martinez Family Intentions)  
**6:00pm** Vespers  
Men of St. Joseph

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**  
*St. Jerome*

**4:00pm** Confessions  
**5:00pm** Mass (OF)  
(Angela Scott)

**NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1**  
*26th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**7:15am** Confessions  
**8:00am** Mass (OF)  
(Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Cyril's)  
**11:00am** Mass (OF)  
(Abby Peek)  
**4:00pm** Confessions  
**5:00pm** Mass (High Mass)  
(Isabelle Avila)

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## CONTRIBUTION INCOME

September 17, 2023

### WEEKLY

ENVELOPES: \$ 1,900.00  
PLATE: \$ 1,326.00  
ONLINE: \$ 552.50  
TOTAL \$ 3,778.50

### ANNUAL

SEPTEMBER ACTUAL: \$15,070.50  
SEPTEMBER BUDGET: \$19,583.33

LATIN AMERICA: \$573.00

YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL: \$52,577.03  
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET: \$58,749.99

(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.*

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Readings, text of the antiphons, and Responsorial Psalm: pgs. 589 - 591*

**Mass Setting:** Missa Simplex I - pg. 850

**Entrance Hymn:** Come, Ye Thankful People, Come #100

**Entrance Antiphon:** I am the salvation of the people... (pg. 943 #135)

**Offertory Hymn:** O Bless the Lord My Soul #94

**Communion Antiphon:** I am the Good Shepherd... (pg. 930 #90)

**Communion Hymn:** My Shepherd Will Supply My Need #108

**Marian antiphon:** Flos Carmeli

**Recessional:** All Creatures of Our God and King #87

**MAINTENANCE HELP  
WANTED**

St. Mary's is looking to hire a part-time maintenance worker. The responsibilities include general handyman projects, (ie. painting, light carpentry, general upkeep and setting up for events. If you know anyone who is able and looking for a position, please have them contact Rosemary in the office.



**MYPARISH APP  
EVENTS**

With the coming of Fall, more events are starting to happen in the parish. To keep up with everything that is happening, such as Vespers, meetings for the Knight's of Columbus, Altar and Rosary Society, Men of St. Joseph, 1st Saturday Masses and parish workdays, use the Events feature of the MyParish App.

**CATECHESIS AND  
SACRAMENTAL PREP**

**BEGINS THIS TUESDAY**

**4:00 - 5:30PM**

**MINISTRY CENTER**

We are starting an intense effort in the parish to support the Home Church and faith formation that parents give to your children. All families and children of the parish are strongly encouraged to join and help. The biggest way you can do this is to join and participate in our parish catechesis programs. Our youngest children will begin with Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for ages 3-6. Ages 7-13 will be using programs from the Augustine Institute. We'll have a tailored program for Confirmation.

**PARISH BUILDING FUND**

The Parish Building Fund provides for repairs and unplanned maintenance of our buildings. It now stands at **\$12,355.31**. Repairs to the front stairs and landing area are estimated at over **\$45,000**. Please contribute to this fund as you are able.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN  
YOUR PRAYERS**

**OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS**

Robert Connell, David McDonald, Mary D'Angelo, Liz Schlup, Mary Lou Larsen, William Carlson, Mary and Vincent 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, Dee Renneke, Eric Parvin, Jean Wilcox;

**OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:**

LCPL. 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

Sgt. John Chase Brunick;

ARMY

SOPHIA, BULGARIA

Airman Tommy Romano

ARIANO, ITALY

Nephew of Sr. Teresita



**PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS**

**MR. ETHAN OSBORN**

HOME PARISH: OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, ST. JOSEPH

YEAR: THEOLOGY III

SEMINARY: KENRICK-GLENNON

BIRTHDAY: MARCH 16

To add someone to the prayer list, please contact the parish office.

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## ST. MARY'S GIFT SHOP

We have a selection of all the Bicentennial gifts in the gift shop. The Gift Shop is open after every Mass on the weekends.

Coasters	\$7.00 each or 4/\$20.00
Pub Glasses	\$14.00 each or 4/\$45.00
Coffee Mugs	\$13.00 each
T-Shirts*	\$22.00 each

\*T-shirts come in blue, white and grey, and sizes from small to 3XL.

## ALTAR & ROSARY NEWS

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

September is our annual membership drive. Existing members, please do not forget to re-enroll your membership and we welcome all new members to our organization. Enrollment forms can be found at the church entrances. Membership fee is \$5.00 per year. Please place your enrollment in an envelope and drop in the collection basket. - Note on envelope: *ATTN: Altar & Rosary.*



### AN IRISH MYSTERY THE MONASTERY OF ST. KEVIN

In preparing for the Museum night, we discovered a second 19th century painting that was part of the original

donation of artwork for the Hibernian Society.

Visitors to the Museum were challenged with a contest to identify the significance of this place in the background. Unfortunately, we had no winners who correctly identified this place as the Monastery of St. Kevin, the first monastery in Ireland.

In the spirit of close really does count, I chose from among those who were closest, identifying it as a place in Ireland. The winner of the basket of St. Mary's merchandise is: Madison Parry.

## ST. MARY'S OUTREACH AGENCY

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

### Hours

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

**Food Items Needed:** Large paper grocery bags, canned fruit, saltine crackers, ramen noodle packets, soups of any kind, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce and jello.

**Clothing Items Needed:** Blankets; Men's, Women's and Children's coats; ladies bras, men's underwear and other winter clothing.

**Reminder:** The Harvesters delivery date this month is September 26th.

Thank you for your continued support!

## CHURCH RENOVATION

### BAKER ARCHITECTS

This Tuesday, a representative from Baker Architects will be visiting the church as part of the process of developing plans to bring the renovations of St. Mary's to completion. They will conduct a full scan of the church and then produce three conceptual proposals that the parish will be able to discuss.

In the coming weeks, we will be scheduling some Town Hall meetings to foster conversation in the parish over the renovations, which we hope to bring to completion over the next 1-2 years.

## RESTORING PURITY

If you are struggling to be free from pornography, you are not alone. This is one of the greatest and widest spread challenges of our time and it carries many of the effects of other addictions. If you are seeking help, you can contact Fr. Ketterlin confidentially. Beginning in October, he will be leading individuals and a small group through recovery resources. RECLAIM is a Catholic organization that offers effective resources that you can use privately and anonymously.

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.





## BICENTENNIAL VIDEO

### PARISHIONERS OF ALL AGES NEEDED:

We are in the process of putting together a short video on the history of the church. We need volunteers who aren't afraid of being in front of a camera to re-enact some of the Sacraments. We are hoping to film these on Saturday, September 30th or October 7th.

We are seeking:

4 to 5 kids who have made their First Communion in the last 2 to 3 years and can still fit into their First Communion garments for our First Communion segment.

A mix of ages, young and old, or perhaps a family for our Reconciliation segment.

Older adults for our Anointing of the Sick segment.

If interested, please contact Toni Farina at 310-740-5892.

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## HISTORY & ARCHIVE COMMITTEE

### HELP PRESERVE THE HISTORY OF ST. MARY'S

Our recent work in preparing for the Night at the Museum has shown that we have a lot of photos, artifacts and records that need to be organized and scanned. This will both preserve our history and make it accessible to the parish and new generations. If you would like to give your time to help in this endeavor, please contact Fr. Kendall. It would be great if we could 5-6 people to take this on.

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## MUSEUM REMAINS OPEN

The St. Mary's Museum remains open for viewing. During the week, you can enter through the door to Fitzgerald Hall by the South Vestibule (by the back of the church). It will also be open before and after all Masses.

Part of the display will remain up throughout the year. We will be changing things out every month or two.

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### ENTHRONEMENT OF MARY

Has your home been dedicated and Mary enthroned as protector and prioress? Throughout October, a month dedicated to the Rosary, Fr. Ketterlin will be conducting enthronements. Please contact him now, as he begins making the schedule of visits: [pastor@saintmarysparish.org](mailto:pastor@saintmarysparish.org)



## PASTOR'S CORNER

### *Not your Ways*

Many of us are familiar with the words of the Prophet Isaiah that we hear this week:

*my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.*

What we think is logical, reasonable, fair and of the utmost importance, He treats as foolish, sinister and meaningless. The parable we also hear this week is a good example of this. The landlord goes out early in the morning to hire workers. They agree upon a salary for the day and at the end of the day, they receive the agreed upon salary. But, he had also gone out later in the day and those who only worked a brief time, maybe for an hour or two, end up receiving the same amount. How unjust and unfair this is. If we work longer and harder than others, we should receive a greater compensation, after all, compensation is just that, payment received in return for labor and work. If one does more work, there should be a greater return; or if someone does a far better job. It is not right and just for those who do little to receive the same, or even a greater reward than those who do much. This is what many have argued recently with President Biden's desire to forgive the student loans of those who are in default. It's also what we see in the explosion of NFL salaries as players insist on a salary comparable to their ranking: the best QB should receive the highest salary. Conversely, we take this to mean that the highest paid is the best.

*my thoughts are not your thoughts, says the LORD.*

Being the highest paid does not equate to being the best. Being the best does not equate to being the highest paid. For some to receive charity is not a punishment to those who paid their own way. There are many ways that God's wisdom and understanding of the Truth exceed our own, and our ways:

His goal for us is not to be the best QB (the GOAT), or even the best doctor, lawyer, or priest. Rather, to be virtuous, grow in the way of perfection and be a sheep, like His Son.

The most significant compensation we receive is not in money or the things of this world. Rather, compensation comes in the treasures of heaven—again, virtue, faith, hope and love.

God does not desire fairness, but salvation. In every moment He is looking not at what will bring a person comfort, nor what he has earned, but what will bring him closer to salvation.

The good of the one is not at the expense of the many, nor the many at the expense of the good. One of the most treasured lines from Star Trek is when Spock comes to the human realization that sometimes "the good of the one outweighs the good of the many." Our Father understands, however, that they are the same, there is no dichotomy. The good of the many serves the good of the one, and the good of the one, serves the good of the many.