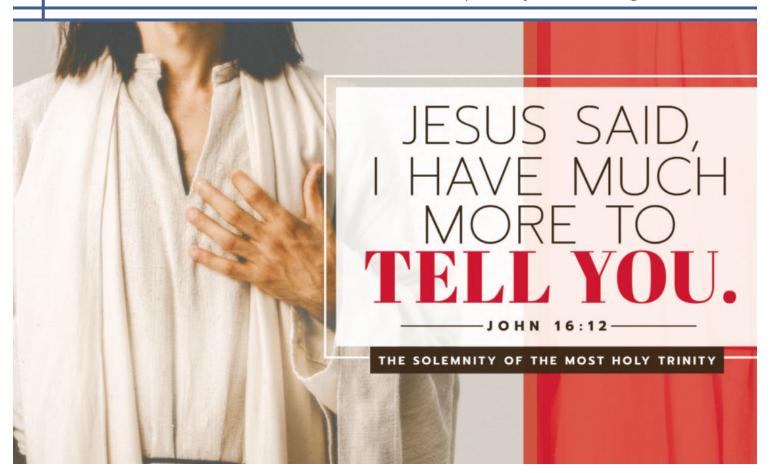
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MASS SCHEDULE

ST. MARY, MT. VERNON

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil | 5:00 pm Sunday | 10:30 am {LIVE}

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Thursday & Friday | 8:30 am {LIVE} Tuesday | 5:30 pm {LIVE} Wednesday | 12:00 pm - SSM Hospital Chapel

ST. MARY, CENTRALIA

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil | 4:00 pm Sunday | 10:30 am

ADORATION

Tuesday | 4:30 pm (for Vocations) Thursday | 9:15 am

HOLY ROSARY

Tuesday | 6:15 pm (after Mass)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm or by Appt.

OUR PARISH MISSION

"We are people guided by God, called to be a welcoming community, celebrating our Catholic Christian faith through continuing worship, education, and service within our parish and the world beyond."

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 14th | 5:00 pm

†Richard Herzing †Fred Barva

†Charles & †Jacqueline Rodgers

Sunday, June 15th | 10:30 am

†Joshua Hurst St. Mary Parishioners

Monday, June 16th | 8:30 am No Mass, Prayer Service or Rosary

Tuesday, June 17th | 5:30 pm **†John & †Lois Ohley**

Wednesday, June 18th | 12:00 pm SSM Hospital Chapel **†Pope Francis**

Thursday, June 19th | 8:30 am **†Bishop Stanley Schlarman**

Friday, June 20th | 8:30 am †Melvin Kabat

Saturday, June 21th | 5:00 pm Skip & Susan Fox Anniversary **†Klaybor & †Peters Family** †David Kweatkawski

Sunday, June 22nd | 10:30 am St. Mary Parishioners



Readings for the week of June 15, 2025

Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (2a)/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4/Mt 5:38-42 Monday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a/Mt 5:43-48 Tuesday: Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mt 6:7-15 Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 6:19-23 Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 6:24-34

Next Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 (4b)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17

HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...

Zac Johnson Rachel Heck Msgr. David Darin Cloena Kiselewski Very Rev. F. William Etheredge Faith Etheredge **Brad Hails** Mary Kusmer Tom Pomhirsch Maria Brown Terry Harris Carrie Hoffhouse Richard Czerwinski Sylvia Czerwinski Kathy Williams

Deonna Schreiber David Bauman Gary Hart Douglas Manne **Bob Heck** Rhonda Mooreland Jeff Rennegarbe Shiloh Burns Robert Jenkins Pam Cummings Tom Berschied Mike Moehn Carol Niedbalski Ray Gluss Braxley Hodson

Brenda McPherson Laura Cashman **Hunter Chambliss** Jules Allali Fave Bathon Anita Bochantin Brenda Breeze Rose Ellen Clancy **Donald Collier** Carrie Fox Skip Fox Susan Fox Jackie Gill Jeanette Ingram **Ruth Jones** Russell Jukes Pat Kelly

Della Mauro Carol Parks Tina Pasquinelli Keri Sipe Elizabeth Rapp Madona Nabua Syxienamay Ronni Zawila James Frey Hilda Witges Meredith Nowland Residents of all Long Term Care **Facilities**

If you would like to add or remove a name on the prayer list, please email bulletin@stmarymtvernon.org or call the church office. Thank you!

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(June 16th - June 30th)

For all Fathers in honor of Father's Day



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You may place an envelope in the collection basket with a note including your name, phone number, intentions & desired date of sponsorship, with a \$50 check made payable to St. Mary Church.

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FROM THE DESK OF FATHER STEVE

Three Divine Persons... and a Thousand Flashcards!

Some of you remember the days when Catholic school desks came equipped with only the bare essentials: a No. 2 pencil, a holy card of St. Jude (because we were all hopeless), and a copy of the Baltimore Catechism—which, let's be honest, weighed more than most second graders.

Before Vatican II, you didn't "talk about your faith." You recited it. Word. For, Word! You knew the answer to every question because Sister Mary Adrenaline was standing over your desk with a ruler in one hand and eternal consequences in the other. Personal reflection? That was what you did when you got sent to see Father.

Then came the post-Vatican II era. Suddenly, we traded in the "Q and A" for "Let's hold hands and imagine walking on a beach with Jesus while writing a haiku about inner peace." And hey, who doesn't love Jesus on a beach? But somewhere along the shoreline, we

dropped our catechism in the surf. Out went memorization and in came meditation—just with a little too much lava lamp and not enough doctrine.

To be fair, there was some beauty in learning to pray from the heart, but let's not forget—knowing what we believe gives power to what we believe. You can only "walk with Jesus" so far before someone asks you why you're walking with Him... and if all you've got is a vague sense of "good vibes" and the scent of incense, you might end up accidentally quoting a yoga poster instead of the Nicene Creed.

Now, we've wised up. Turns out, there was some wisdom in those old-school memory drills. After all, when someone asks, "What is the Blessed Trinity?" I don't want to say, "It's like a clover... or a triangle... or a really complicated family reunion." I want to be able to say, "One God, three Divine Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Boom."

Memorization wasn't just about par-

roting lines—it gave us anchors. Solid truths that don't shift with the tide. No matter your generation, from the nuns-with-rulers era to the guitar-Mass crowd, one thing has never changed: The Holy Trinity. Three Divine Persons in one God. Let that sink in.

And for the record... yes, the Father is God. Yes, the Son is God. Yes, the Holy Ghost is God. No, they are not triplets. Got it? Good. Now go find your old catechism, dust it off, and remind yourself why you memorized it in the first place. Sister might still be watching... and God definitely still is.

And here's the funny thing—what we memorized as kids has a sneaky way of showing up just when we need it. At a bedside. In a crisis. In a moment of doubt. Like spiritual muscle memory, those lines we drilled into our brains echo back and remind us: we are loved by the Father, redeemed by the Son, and filled with the Holy Ghost. That's not just theology, it's truth worth remembering.





Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

January 15-20, 2026 | Cost: \$2994 Host: Catholic Relief Services Diocese of Belleville

Registration Deadline: June 30, 2025

Join us for a 6 day pilgrimage to Mexico to visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and to witness the work that Catholic Relief Services does on our behalf. Pilgrimage leaders will be Fr. Bob Flannery, a retired priest in the Diocese of Belleville, Cheryl Sommer, Diocese Animator for Catholic Relief Services, Sue Huett Asbeck, retired Director of Liturgy for the Diocese of Belleville.

Register at gocatholictravel.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Sommer-2026-Mexico-Brochure.pdf or email crsdiobelle@gmail.com.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

MINISTRY GROUPS

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (YAM)

Tuesday, June 17th
Gathering Space | 7:00 pm

CCW (Council of Catholic Women)

Check back for future dates
Summer Break

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Tuesday, July 8th Knights House | 6:30 pm

AA MEETINGS

Fridays at KC House | 12:00 pm

YOUTH GROUP & CONFIRMATION PREP MOVIE NIGHT

Sunday, June 22nd Youth Room | 6:00 pm

PSR (Parish School of Religion)

Check back for future dates
Summer Break

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Thursday, July 10th Philip Neri Room | 10:30 am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Check back for future dates Summer Break

CHOIR PRACTICE

Wednesdays at Church | 7:00 pm

OCIA CLASS

Check back for future dates
Summer Break

MARY'S TABLE

Saturday & Sunday, June 14th & 15th

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JUNE 21ST

Reader: Ken Smith, Cindy Sloan

Eucharistic Ministers: Sara Allen, Pat Panarese, Robin Atkins,

Vickie Bledsoe, Dean and Judy Dickerson

Hospitality: Rose Rankin, Joe Schmidt, Jeff Schmidt, Zella Fitts,

Janelle and Mike Heaney Office: Nancy Wilson

Servers: Mark and Luke Heaney

Sacristan: Ayden Sloan

SUNDAY, JUNE 22ND

Readers: John Gleason, Ashlie Newcomb

Eucharistic Ministers: Anne Baker, Anne Collier, Dorris Klotz, Greg Sims,

Kathy Winchester, Ronan Kuberski

Hospitality: Steve Rapp, Susan Hughey, Pat Yates, Steve Manning,

John Talbert, Donnie Mays

Office: Vicki York

Servers: Elsie, Sam, Ahna Sacristan: Volunteer Camera: Volunteer

CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

JUNE 20TH - Marien Leuty, Aletta Lawrence, Kim Lietz, Pat Panarese, Jan Rose, Paul Schuette, Kathy Winchester and Deanne Weatherford.

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Do you have 1-2 hours to spare once a month? Join our Friday Morning Cleaning Crew for some cleaning, good company, and maybe even a few laughs!

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SUNDAY OFFERINGS JUNE 8, 2025

Sunday offering details for June 8th will be in next week's bulletin.

Thank you!

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UPCOMING EVENTS (CHURCH & SCHOOL)

MONDAY, JUNE 23RD

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION LISTENING SESSION Fellowship Room | 5:30 pm

Meal & refreshments will be served!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25TH

EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL Fellowship Room | 6:00 pm First open meeting!

AROUND THE DIOCESE

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY, JULY 7TH, 8TH & 9TH

ST. BARBARA VBS - GOD'S GOOD CREATION St. Barbara Church | See flyer for details



Respect Life Corner

"Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the irreplaceable role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God's gift of new life!"

Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre, Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux "Fathers' Irreplaceable Role in Welcoming Life"

Cursillo Upcoming Weekends

Women's Weekend #46

July 17th - 20th, 2025 Toddhall Retreat Center, Columbia, IL

Men's Weekend #41

August 7th - 10th, 2025 King's House at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows

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