



SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025

St. Mary Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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FIVE LOAVES AND TWO FISH.

— LUKE 9:13 —

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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."

PLEASE NOTE: MONDAY, JUNE 23RD - NO MASS, PRAYER SERVICE OR ROSARY

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 21st | 5:00 pm

Skip & Susan Fox Anniversary

†Klaybor & †Peters Family

†David Kweatkawski

Sunday, June 22nd | 10:30 am

St. Mary Parishioners

Monday, June 23rd | 8:30 am

No Mass, Prayer Service or Rosary

Tuesday, June 24th | 5:30 pm

†Melvin Kabat

Wednesday, June 25th | 12:00 pm

SSM Hospital Chapel

Prayers to God

Thursday, June 26th | 8:30 am

†Bishop Stanley Scharman

Friday, June 27th | 8:30 am

Poor Souls

Saturday, June 28th | 5:00 pm

†Christi Burns

†Garry Adcock

†Betty Herzing Tanner

Sunday, June 29th | 10:30 am

†Melvin Kabat

St. Mary Parishioners

Readings for the week of June 22, 2025

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

Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...

Zac Johnson

Rachel Heck

Msgr. David Darin

Cloena Kiselewski

Very Rev. F.

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Faith Etheredge

Brad Hails

Mary Kusmer

Tom Pomhirsch

Maria Brown

Terry Harris

Carrie Hoffhouse

Richard Czerwinski

Sylvia Czerwinski

Kathy Williams

Brenda McPherson

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

Laura Cashman

Hunter Chambliss

Jules Allali

Faye 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

Syxiengmay

Ronni Zawila

James Frey

Hilda Witges

Meredith Nowland

Residents of all

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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!*

Vocations Corner

Today we celebrate the gift of Eucharist. This gift is what truly defines us as Catholics. We rejoice that Jesus gave His Body and Blood for our redemption. This is the remembrance we commemorate during each Liturgy. This is only possible through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass which is celebrated by a priest. We are challenged to pray for more priests; we are also challenged to encourage those who may have a calling to Holy Orders. Pose the question: "Have you ever considered being a priest?"

Messenger Update:

In recent weeks, subscribers to The Messenger have made us aware of a delivery problem that is resulting in papers arriving late to their mailboxes. We apologize for the service issue and are investigating the cause of it with post offices throughout the Diocese of Belleville. Please be patient during this time as we search for a solution. Thank you!

David Wilhelm, Messenger Editor

Sanctuary Candle

JUNE SPONSOR

(June 16th - June 30th)

For all Fathers

in honor of Father's Day



Please call or text Suzie Schmidt at 618.214.8985 for more information.

Sponsorships for 2025 are available!

To sign up at church:

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

God in the Streets...

There is something unforgettable about a Corpus Christi procession, something ancient, yet alive. As a young altar server in a red cassock, I remember the weight of the moment: incense billowing, bells ringing, all of us moving with purpose through the streets of our small town. We weren't putting on a show. We were proclaiming something real. that Christ walks with us.

Every sacred object in the procession speaks. The monstrance, radiant and golden, doesn't just carry the Eucharist, it lifts high the Presence of Jesus Christ for all to see. The humeral veil reminds us that it is not the priest, but Christ who blesses. The cope, flowing like royal vesture, declares the majesty of the King. And when the priest covers his hands, it's not out of fear, but reverence, because no hand is worthy on its own to carry the King of Glory.

But perhaps the most powerful moment comes when we see hands reaching out, young and old, people of every walk and culture, reaching not to touch fabric, but like the woman in the Gospel, reaching in faith for Jesus Himself. In that moment, the Church walks as one body,

clergy and laity, mystery and majesty, tradition and longing, all centered on Christ who walks with us, who is not far off, but near, in the monstrance, in our streets, and in our hearts.

One video I return to often is God in the Streets of New York City, filmed by Grassroots Films in 2009. It shows Jesus in the monstrance being processed through one of the busiest cities in the world, sirens wail, taxis honk, construction roars, and yet, right in the middle of it all, there is peace. Christ doesn't wait for silence or perfection. He walks straight into our chaos. The monstrance used in that video was one of six blessed by Pope John Paul II before his death for the Year of the Eucharist. That's no small footnote. It's a reminder that the Church sees this moment as a mission, to bring Christ out of the Church and into the world.

So I ask again: Where do you take Jesus? Do you leave Him behind with the hymnals and holy water, tucked safely into a Sunday routine, or do you carry Him out into the noisy, messy, beautiful world that desperately needs to see Him?

Because here's the truth: Jesus is not content to stay hidden behind sanc-

tuary walls. He didn't come to sit still. He came to walk, through our neighborhoods, into our homes, and across the thresholds of our ordinary lives. He wants to be carried into conversations where kindness is scarce. Into workplaces where integrity is tested. Into homes where patience runs thin. Into break rooms, hospital rooms, and classrooms. Into moments of joy and tears, hope and heartbreak.

And yes, even into traffic jams, grocery lines, and backyard barbecues. You, dear friend, are His living monstrance. If the gold and glass monstrance holds the Eucharist for the world to adore, then your life, your words, your compassion, your courage, holds Christ for the world to encounter. Not perfectly, not always gracefully, but faithfully.

Let Him walk boldly.

Let Him be seen in you, not just in Church on Sunday, but in the street on Monday. Let Him be present in your hands when you serve, in your eyes when you look with mercy, and in your voice when you speak with love. The world doesn't just need to hear about Jesus. It needs to see Him, in you. Let the procession never end.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

will be attending "Come From Away"

Sunday, June 29th | The Muny, St. Louis, MO

Show ticket: \$35 ea. | Dinner: \$40.25 ea. (includes gratuity)

This also includes a short backstage tour!

Everyone is welcome to join! We will carpool.

Contact Ron Kirsch: 618-214-5903 or ronbkirsch6@gmail.com

ST. MARY SCHOOL & PARISH EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Open to school parents & parishioners

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25TH | 6:00 PM

St. Mary Parish - Fellowship Room

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, July 1st
TBA | 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

Check back for future dates

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JUNE 28TH

Reader: Beth Schrader, Pat Butler
Eucharistic Ministers: Suzie Schmidt, Skip Fox, Karen Williams, Brenda Hapeman, Mel Gajewski, Kay McCulley
Hospitality: Randy Schell, Kevin Rettig, Joe Schmidt, Vickie Bledsoe, Steve Shields, Pat Panarese
Office: Barb Gajewski
Servers: Volunteer
Sacristan: Volunteer

SUNDAY, JUNE 29TH

Readers: Lindy Hudson, Josie Hooten
Eucharistic Ministers: Ed O'Rourke, Lori Kabat, Barb Burke, Janice Eischens, Anna Jukes, Ashlie Newcomb
Hospitality: Bruce and LouAnn Morrison, Mark and Marty Simmons, Donnie Mays, Jim Rozycki
Office: Maggie
Servers: Jaxon, Maverick, Leighton
Sacristan: Volunteer
Camera: Volunteer

CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

JUNE 27TH - Cindy Montgomery, Bernie Dickneite, Mary Chambliss, Rose Rankin, Jim & Karen Rozycki, Rich Schafer & Mary Wayer

HELP US MAKE THE CHURCH SHINE!

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!

It's a simple way to serve and keep our sacred space sparkling.

**Interested? Please contact
Cindy Montgomery 618-315-6630**

STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

JUNE 8, 2025

Sunday Envelopes	\$9,463.00
Miscellaneous Envelopes	\$1,324.00
Loose Collection	\$810.50

Total (Includes Online Giving) \$11,597.50

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

JUNE 15, 2025

Sunday Envelopes	\$4,801.00
Miscellaneous Envelopes	\$430.00
Loose Collection	\$525.15

Total (Includes Online Giving) \$5,756.15

BISHOP JOHN C. IFFERT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This fund provides tuition assistance to students for Catholic Education at St. Mary School.

Donation total to Date \$43,750.00
(\$25,000 from the auction "Sponsor A Student")

To include something in the bulletin, email Kendra Clark at bulletin@stmarymtvernon.org. Deadline: Tuesdays at 6:00 pm

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

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

SUNDAY, JUNE 22ND

FOLLOWING 10:30 AM MASS

Procession around St. Mary Church & School Campus



The 2025 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Hope in the Lord

Each year the success of the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal depends upon the generous response of every Catholic household – it depends on you!! Every dollar donated to the Appeal is restricted and supports only the work of 17 diocesan ministries which serve thousands of people throughout southern Illinois each year. To learn more about the good works your gift makes possible, visit www.diobelle.org and click on the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal poster or call Judy Phillips at 618-722-5007 – she'd love to hear from you!

Cursillo Upcoming Weekends

Women's Weekend #46

July 17th - 20th, 2025

Toddhall Retreat Center, Columbia, IL

Men's Weekend #41

August 7th - 10th, 2025

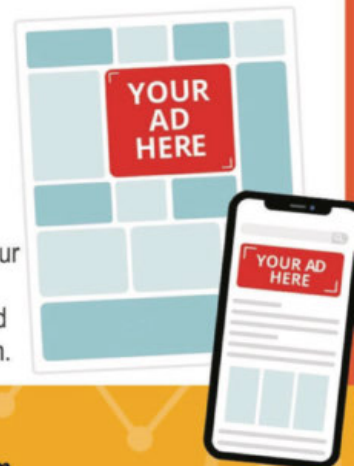
King's House at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows

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Monday - Friday | 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

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FR. STEVEN PAUTLER OFFICE HOURS

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Thursdays & Fridays

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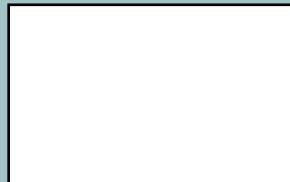
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