



SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025

## St. Mary Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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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."

PLEASE NOTE: MONDAY, JUNE 9TH - NO MASS, PRAYER SERVICE OR ROSARY

# PRAYER & WORSHIP

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 7th | 5:00 pm

**St. Mary Parishioners**

Sunday, June 8th | 10:30 am

**†William Rapp**

Monday, June 9th | 8:30 am

*No Mass, Prayer Service or Rosary*

Tuesday, June 10th | 5:30 pm

**†Emma Caserotti**

Wednesday, June 11th | 12:00 pm

*SSM Hospital Chapel*

**†Paul & †Mary Dickerson**

Thursday, June 12th | 8:30 am

**†Edie Hagene**

Friday, June 13th | 8:30 am

**†Garry Adcock**

Saturday, June 14th | 5:00 pm

**†Richard Herzing**

**†Fred Barva**

**†Charles & †Jacqueline Rodgers**

Sunday, June 15th | 10:30 am

**†Joshua Hurst**

**St. Mary Parishioners**

## Readings for the week of June 8, 2025

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/  
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26  
Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34  
Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135/Mt 5:13-16  
Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (580)/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9/Mt 5:17-19  
Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 5:20-26  
Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18/Mt 5:27-32  
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 5:33-37  
Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (2a)/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

## HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...

Rachel Heck	Deonna Schreiber	Hunter Chambliss	Carol Parks
Msgr. David Darin	David Bauman	Jules Allali	Tina Pasquinnelli
Cloena Kiselewski	Gary Hart	Faye Bathon	Keri Sipe
Very Rev. F.	Douglas Manne	Anita Bochantin	Elizabeth Rapp
William Etheredge	Bob Heck	Brenda Breeze	Madona Nabua
Faith Etheredge	Rhonda Mooreland	Rose Ellen Clancy	Syxiengmay
Brad Hails	Jeff Rennegarbe	Donald Collier	Ronni Zawila
Mary Kusmer	Shiloh Burns	Carrie Fox	James Frey
Tom Pomhirsch	Robert Jenkins	Skip Fox	Hilda Witges
Maria Brown	Pam Cummings	Susan Fox	Meredith Nowland
Terry Harris	Tom Berschied	Jackie Gill	Residents of all
Carrie Hoffhouse	Mike Moehn	Jeanette Ingram	Long Term Care
Richard Czerwinski	Carol Niedbalski	Ruth Jones	Facilities
Sylvia Czerwinski	Ray Gluss	Russell Jukes	
Kathy Williams	Braxley Hodson	Pat Kelly	
Brenda McPherson	Laura Cashman	Della Mauro	

*If you would like to add or remove a name on the prayer list, please email [bulletin@stmarymtvernon.org](mailto:bulletin@stmarymtvernon.org) or call the church office. Thank you!*

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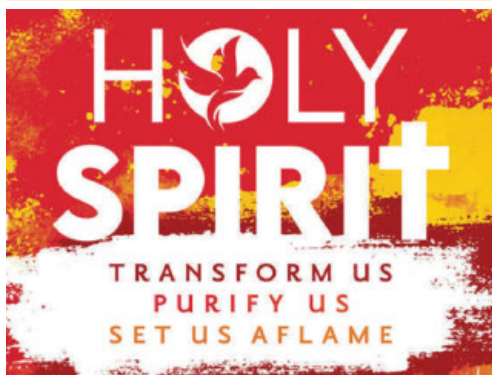
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# FROM THE DESK OF FATHER STEVE

How many of you can actually remember your Confirmation? Go ahead, think about it. For some of us, it's a bit of a blur—like an old home movie that skips a little when it gets to the good part.

But I guarantee you, if you were confirmed by Bishop Zuroweste, you remember one thing crystal clear: the questions and the tap on the check! And these weren't whispered sweetly in the sacristy. Oh no—these were asked publicly, in front of God and everybody at Mass. It was like "Who Wants to Be a Catholic Millionaire," except no lifelines and the prize was the Holy Spirit.

When the Bishop came to town, it was an event. The altar servers took their cassocks home to have them washed and pressed—yes, even middle school boys managed to look presentable. The sisters had us prepped like we were heading into theological battle: How many Gospels? What is the Trinity? Name the Sacraments in order, go! Meanwhile, Father was quietly making sure the rectory was stocked with plenty of good Scotch. You know—for "after the Spirit descended."

And let's not forget the outfits. Back then, we were stuffed into stiff white robes that made us look like either

angels or marshmallows—depending on your build. Hair slicked back, shoes too tight, and that corsage your aunt pinned on like she was tacking up drywall. And heaven help the kid who fainted during the bishop's prayer (yes, it happened—we all stepped over him like he was just resting in the Spirit). Today's Confirmandi stroll in with confidence, hair gelled just right, shoes that actually fit, and maybe even a pair of Converse under their dress pants. But whether you were confirmed in the days of incense and interrogation or in the age of digital photos and donuts afterward, the Holy Spirit doesn't change. He's the same fiery breath of God, showing up every time with power, purpose, and maybe—just maybe—a wink at how far we've come.

Those were the days of starch and structure, of fear and fire. And yet—despite all the nerves and the memorization—those were the moments the Holy Spirit entered into our lives. Not because we had all the right answers, but because we were ready to receive the One who brings all the answers.

Today, Confirmation looks a little different. The Confirmandi are more relaxed—some even smile during the Bishop's homily (bless them).

They might not know all the answers (neither did we), but the same Spirit still comes down.

As Jesus says in John 7:37-39: "Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture says: 'Rivers of living water will flow from within him.' He said this in reference to the Spirit that those who came to believe in him were to receive."

Confirmation is not graduation from the faith—it's the start of something. Like the Apostles in the Upper Room, we receive the Spirit and then go out and do something with it. We don't just sit there glowing like a Bic lighter. No, we're set ablaze to light the world.

So whether your Confirmation came with a slap on the cheek, a memorized catechism, or a relaxed nod and a sponsor who forgot their ID—remember this: the Spirit remains. He still whispers. He still burns. And He still calls us to get off our pew and into the world. And hey—if Bishop Zuroweste was here, he might still ask you, "How many Gospels?" Just smile and say, "Four, Your Excellency." Then pray he doesn't follow up with, "Name them in order." The Spirit has come. Now let's get to work.

## PARISH & SCHOOL LIFE



*Thank you, Fr. Patt!*

Last Sunday, Fr. Pat McDevitt hosted a youth listening session for the Diocese "Servants on Christ Mission".

Youth and leaders from across the diocese came together to reflect, dream, and share ideas for the future of our Church. Their love for the Eucharist, desire for deeper faith, and hope for more youth involvement was inspiring. We're proud of the young Church and grateful to be part of this Mission.

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# MINISTRY SCHEDULES

## MINISTRY GROUPS

### YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (YAM)

Monday, June 16th  
Gathering Space | 7:00 pm

### CCW (Council of Catholic Women)

Check back for future dates  
*Summer Break*

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Tuesday, June 10th  
Knights House | 6:30 pm

### AA MEETINGS

Fridays at KC House | 12:00 pm

### YOUTH MASS

Sunday, June 8th  
Church | Arrive by 9:30 am

### PSR (Parish School of Religion)

Check back for future dates  
*Summer Break*

### BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Thursday, June 12th  
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 14TH

Reader: Pat Panarese, Gordon Roberts  
Eucharistic Ministers: Skip Fox, Brenda Hapeman, Lois Herzing, Jerry LaLumondier, Kay McCulley, Robin Atkins  
Hospitality: Bobby Herzing, Kevin Rettig, Paul Sanders, Mike and Janelle Heaney  
Office: Karen Williams  
Servers: Mark and Luke Heaney  
Sacristan: Volunteer

### SUNDAY, JUNE 15TH

Readers: David and Laura Skorch  
Eucharistic Ministers: Ed O'Rourke, Lindy Hudson, Anne Baker, Ed Zawila, Lori Kabat, Butch Baker  
Hospitality: Jim Rozycki, Steve Rapp, Darryl McClellan, Christina Kiefer, Dax Bridwell, Dorris Klotz  
Office: Carol Baril  
Servers: Michael, Leighton, Kayden  
Sacristan: Ronan  
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## CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

**JUNE 13TH** - Cindy Sloan/TL, John Sloan, Sen Dinh, Dorris Klotz, Anita & David Spotanski

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## STEWARDSHIP

### SUNDAY OFFERINGS

**JUNE 1, 2025**

Sunday Envelopes	\$12,205.00
Miscellaneous Envelopes	\$821.00
Loose Collection	\$587.97
Total (Includes Online Giving)	\$13,613.97

### 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")

### ST. MARY SCHOOL LEGACY FUND (MT. VERNON)

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Bob Herr	618-237-7101
Ed Zawila	618-244-0281

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

# UPCOMING EVENTS (CHURCH & SCHOOL)

## SUNDAY, JUNE 22ND

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

After Mass | Details to come!

## MONDAY, JUNE 23RD

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION LISTENING SESSION

Fellowship Room | 5:30 pm

Meal & refreshments will be served!

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25TH

EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

8th Grade Classroom | 6:00 pm

First open meeting!

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### SATURDAY, JUNE 14TH

\*DIOCESE HISPANIC YOUTH DAY

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows

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

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St. Barbara Church | See flyer for details

## 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

Applications may be picked up in the church office, or you may visit the Belleville Diocesan Cursillo website at [www.bellevillecursillo.org](http://www.bellevillecursillo.org)

## 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.

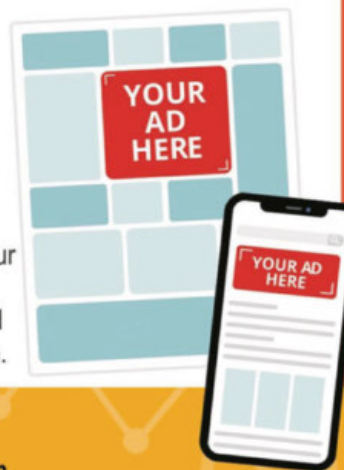
Pilgrimage leaders will be Fr. Bob Flannery, a retired priest in the Diocese of Belleville, Cheryl Sommer, Diocese Animator for Catholic Relief Services, Sue Huett Asbeck, retired Director of Liturgy for the Diocese of Belleville.

Register at [gocatholictravel.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Sommer-2026-Mexico-Brochure.pdf](http://gocatholictravel.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Sommer-2026-Mexico-Brochure.pdf) or email [crsdiobelle@gmail.com](mailto:crsdiobelle@gmail.com).

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**Susan Kusmer, Parish Secretary**

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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### FR. STEVEN PAUTLER OFFICE HOURS

Contact: 618-244-1559 (appointment)

Thursdays & Fridays

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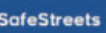
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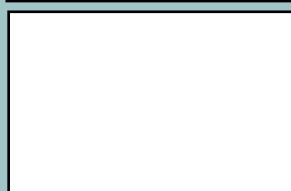
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