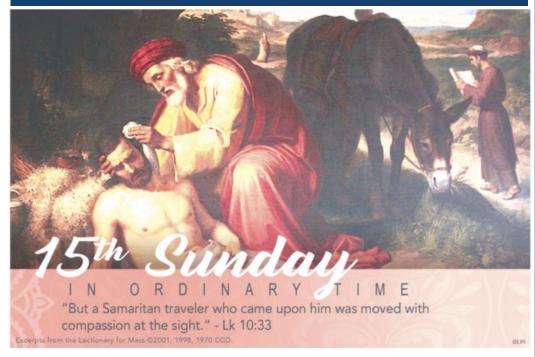
**JULY 13, 2025** 

#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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We are a community of believers in Jesus Christ that gathers together to celebrate the mysteries of God's love. We support and strengthen one another in our commitment to the Catholic faith. We serve those in need and share with all the Good News of God's unconditional love.







#### MASS SCHEDULE

## **Sunday Vigil**: Saturday 5:00pm

**Sunday**: 9:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

Sunday 9:00am and Daily Masses are **Live Streamed** on our website stmaryslg.org/live-stream-mass

#### **DAILY MASS**

Mon - Sat: 8:30am Rosary - 8:00am Live-Stream & in church

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm (in church)

#### **ADORATION**

Mondays - 9:00-10:00am Thursdays - 7:00-8:00pm

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm 408-354-3726 Email:

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If it is a non-medical emergency and you need to reach a priest, call the parish office, and follow the prompts.

#### ST. MARY PARISH SCHOOL

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#### REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

#### First Reading:

Moses taught the Israelite that the Lord is not remote but nearby to each of us. When was a time you felt especially close to God?

#### **Second Reading:**

Today's reading is a poem composed by Paul to describe the divinity and supremacy of Jesus.

How do you express your thoughts about Jesus to others?

#### Gospel

In the parable of the good Samaritan, Jesus teaches the lawyer that a neighbor is anyone you treat with mercy. Who might you treat with mercy this week?

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TODAY'S READINGS

Deuteronomy 30:10-14;

Psalm 69 or 19;

Colossians 1:15-20;

Luke 10:25-37

Today's readings show us that to live as good stewards means to follow God's commands and to live our lives as a gift in service to others.

The First Reading, from the ancient book of Deuteronomy, reminds us that God's laws are not inaccessible to us. Rather, they are written on our very hearts. Moses says to the people in today's passage that God's commands are "very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry [them] out." And as we see in today's Gospel passage, God gives us these laws so that we may inherit eternal life. God's commands are meant to help us to live as His good stewards and lead us to Heaven.

In our Second Reading, from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians, we see God's instruction made even more explicit, in the very person of His Son, Jesus Christ. The Father has sent His own Son to demonstrate how to obey Him and to give us a living example of how we should live our lives as a gift. As St. Paul says, "Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God."

Finally, in today's Gospel passage, from Luke, we read the well-known parable of the Good Samaritan. Here, Jesus Himself teaches us in rich detail what stewardship in action looks like. In fact, this parable could just as accurately be called the parable of the Good Steward. Let's study the actions of this good steward.

The first thing we note about the Good Samaritan is that he is aware of the needs of those around him and responds generously. While the priest and Levi brush right past the man on the side of the road, the Samaritan is watching for those who might be in need. He has a hospitable way of looking at the world around him and so he is able to "see" in a way that the others did not, and he was "moved with compassion at the sight" of the man.

Next, we see the Good Samaritan spring into action to serve this man, setting aside his own schedule and plans in order to meet his needs. He does not just give the man a few dollars or offer some quick words of encouragement from across the road. He goes right up to the man. He cleans and bandages his wounds. He puts the man on his own animal and brings him to an inn where he can heal. He ensures that the innkeeper would continue to look after him and he commits to returning to the man on his way back.

This type of hospitality and generosity in serving others are essential to a stewardship way of life. Do we have this same hospitable openness to others around us, both to those who may feel on the outskirts of our parish family and to those "on the margins" of our wider community? What can we do to become more aware of the needs of others and more open to setting aside our own plans to care for those needs?

That is how we live out God's commandments.

That is true hospitality and service.

That is how a good steward springs into action when he comes upon a neighbor in need. And Jesus says to each of us personally, just as He did in today's Gospel, "Go and do likewise."

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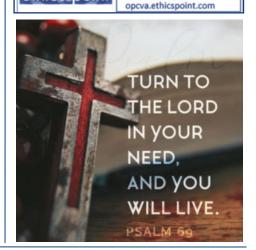
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK				
Sun	7/13	<b>15</b> <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37 or Ps 19:8-11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37		
Mon	7/14	St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34—11:1		
Tues	7/15	St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24		
Wed	7/16	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27		
Thu	7/17	Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30		
Fri	7/18	St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest Ex 11:10—12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Mt 12:1-8		
Sat	7/19	Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21		
Sun	7/20	<b>16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42		

			Mass Intentions
Mon	7/14	8:30 am	Kelly & Michael Coffey (birthday)
Tues	7/15	8:30 am	Fr. Mark Catalana †
Wed	7/16	8:30 am	Pierina Ottoboni †
Thu	7/17	8:30 am	Elizabeth Valenzuela †
Fri	7/18	8:30 am	Olivia Gray †
Cot	7/19	8:30 am	Olivia Gray †
Sat		5:00 pm	Antonio Cabral Bettencourt †
Sun	7/20	9:00 am	Robert A Jette, Sr. †
		11:00 am	Cynthia Pearl (special intention)
		5:00 pm	Randy Wiesemdamger †

#### WHAT IS MAMMON? WHEN JESUS SAYS, "YOU CANNOT SERVE BOTH GOD AND MAMMON," WHAT DOES HE MEAN?

When you hear Scripture proclaimed each Sunday, remember it wasn't originally written in English. Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek — these ancient tongues were the original language of our Old and New Testaments. Most of the time, all of the words are translated into our native language. Sometimes, a word or two is left in the original language. Such is the case in this Scripture passage.

Mammon is an ancient Aramaic word referring to money, wealth, or profit. Earthly wealth isn't bad in itself, nor does it automatically exclude us from being a disciple of Jesus. But what dominates our life? To serve money — that is, to seek accumulation of wealth for its own sake and to structure our lives around it — is morally problematic. What good is our wealth if it isn't at the service of others? What good is our wealth if its pursuit leads us to selfishness, obsession, greed, envy, and comparison? There are many things that can be opposed to our service of God — power, prestige, popularity. Ultimately, something in our lives will be our master. But there is only one God worth serving.



# ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe you
are really here in
the Blessed Sacrament.
I love you more than anything
in the world, and I hunger
to receive you.
But since I cannot receive
Communion at this time,
Feed my soul spiritually.
I unite myself to you now,
as I do when I actually receive
You in Holy Communion. Amen.

#### LIVE THE LITURGY -INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Everyone is our neighbor — those we love and those we can't stand, the people we agree with and the people whose opinions we hate. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that we must not only see ourselves in every person we meet — we must see him, too.

#### Pope Leo XIV's Universal Prayer Intention: July For formation in discernment:

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.



### FAITH IN ACTION

# Stewardship of **PRAYER**

Please pray with us for our parishioners, family and friends.

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers: Mary Elen Fox; Fr. Andrew V Nguyen; Magdolma O'Brien; Ryan Heath; Dave Najour; Ken Ardent; Marietta Riney; Adam Thielmann; Honora Hannan

For those who have recently died:

Rose Arnaudo; John Armstrong; Brigitte Spallanzani; Charli Joan Blackwell; George Bommarito; Bruce Welch

Members of our parish family who are in the military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins and all who have no one to pray for them.



5:00pm Saturday: Cantor & Piano/Organ 9:00am Sunday: Cantor & Piano/Organ 11:00am Sunday: Cantor & Piano/Organ

5:00pm Sunday: 5PM Sunday Ensemble

St. Vincent de Paul has a very active conference at St Mary! We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass in the Junior High Library.



#### Visit us at stmaryslg.org/st-vincent-de-paul

Anyone interested in our work helping the unhoused and working poor in our community please contact conference president Sue Ahmadian at <a href="mailto:sue.ahmadian@gmail.com">sue.ahmadian@gmail.com</a>

ST. MARY BIBLE STUDY - Did you know we have a bible study group that meets every other Thursday 9:30am - 11am? We are currently studying Dr. Luke Timothy Johnson's program on the bible. Feel free to drop in whenever you have time. Please check the parish calendar for the schedule.

**ST. MARY MARIAN PRAYER GROUP - Tuesday mornings** at 10:15am in Hoffman Center. We pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Rosary and meditate on a reading from daily Mass. We pray for the intentions of the school and parish. All are welcome!

**ST. MARY SENIORS** - If you are free the 3rd Monday of the month, please join us in Hofmann Center at 12 noon for a meeting of social activity and service to our parish. Bring a sack lunch.

## Stewardship of TREASURE

#### Managing God's Gift To Us

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE!

Your weekly offerings enable us to meet our monthly obligations and continue to support the many parish programs at St. Mary. Thank you for your faithful support.

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#### OFFERINGS AND ONLINE GIVING

Week Ending June 29, 2025
Sunday Collection \$ 12,406.00

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As at June 30, we have received \$236,220.00 in pledges towards our goal of \$200,000.00. Please remember that 100% of all gifts received above our goal comes back to our parish.





# FAITH + FRIENDSHIP Join in at any time to pray silently or vocally. Zoom manual log-in:

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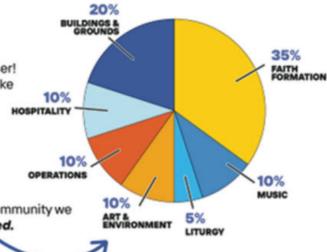


Support the Country Fair—our parish's largest fundraiser! Every dollar raised helps fund essential parish needs like facilities, hospitality, and faith formation!

#### **HOW TO SPONSOR:**

- Visit: stmaryscountryfair.org/sponsor
- Email: fair\_sponsorships@stmaryslg.org

Your sponsorship helps sustain the vibrant St. Mary community we all cherish. See the pie chart for how funds are used.







Volunteers make the Fair possible! It's a fun way to give back and connect with our parish community!

Before volunteering, please complete the following steps required by the Diocese of San Jose:

#### 1. Fingerprinting (One Time Only)

- Pick up a Request Form from the parish office
- Bring form to Verify Group to get fingerprinted
- Return stamped copy to the parish office for tracking •
- · Clearance confirmation will come from the Diocese

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Verify will be on-site soon to make this step even easier — dates to come!

#### 2. Safe Environment Training (Every 3 yrs)

- Required for all volunteers age 18+
- Go to www.virtusonline.org
- Complete: Protecting God's Children Online Maltreatment Awareness Session 4.1 – San Jose
- Must be completed before volunteering
- Screenshot the completed certificate with date.
- · Email, print, or fax it to parish office.

# ST. MARY SCHOOL









One of our favorite moments from the year was watching the girls flag football team hit the field with confidence and Cougar pride!



#### **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

#### JULY 20: AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE MONTHLY

**MASS** Fr. Paul Zirimenya will celebrate Mass at 3:30PM in American Sign Language at St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish,1971 Saint Lawrence Dr, Santa Clara, CA. This Mass will be celebrated on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month.

### JULY 29-31: DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR JR. HIGH SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUNG WOMEN A

women's retreat for young Catholic women to deepen their faith and seek God's call in their lives.

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#### ILM - NEW ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINS SEPTEMBER

**2025**. The ILM offers a 3-year course of study for lay leaders in the Church. Responding to their baptismal call, ILM graduates return to their parish to serve in various leadership roles in Liturgy, Catechetics, Social Justice, Pastoral Care, and others. Find more about the ILM at <a href="https://bit.ly/ilm.eng">https://bit.ly/ilm.eng</a>

#### INTRODUCTION TO FAMILY MINISTRY

The Institute for Leadership in Ministry, in collaboration with the Office of Adult Spirituality and Family Life, is pleased to offer an Introduction to Family. The course consists of two sessions per week over three weeks, followed by one Saturday session focused on how to establish a parish team. Visit

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