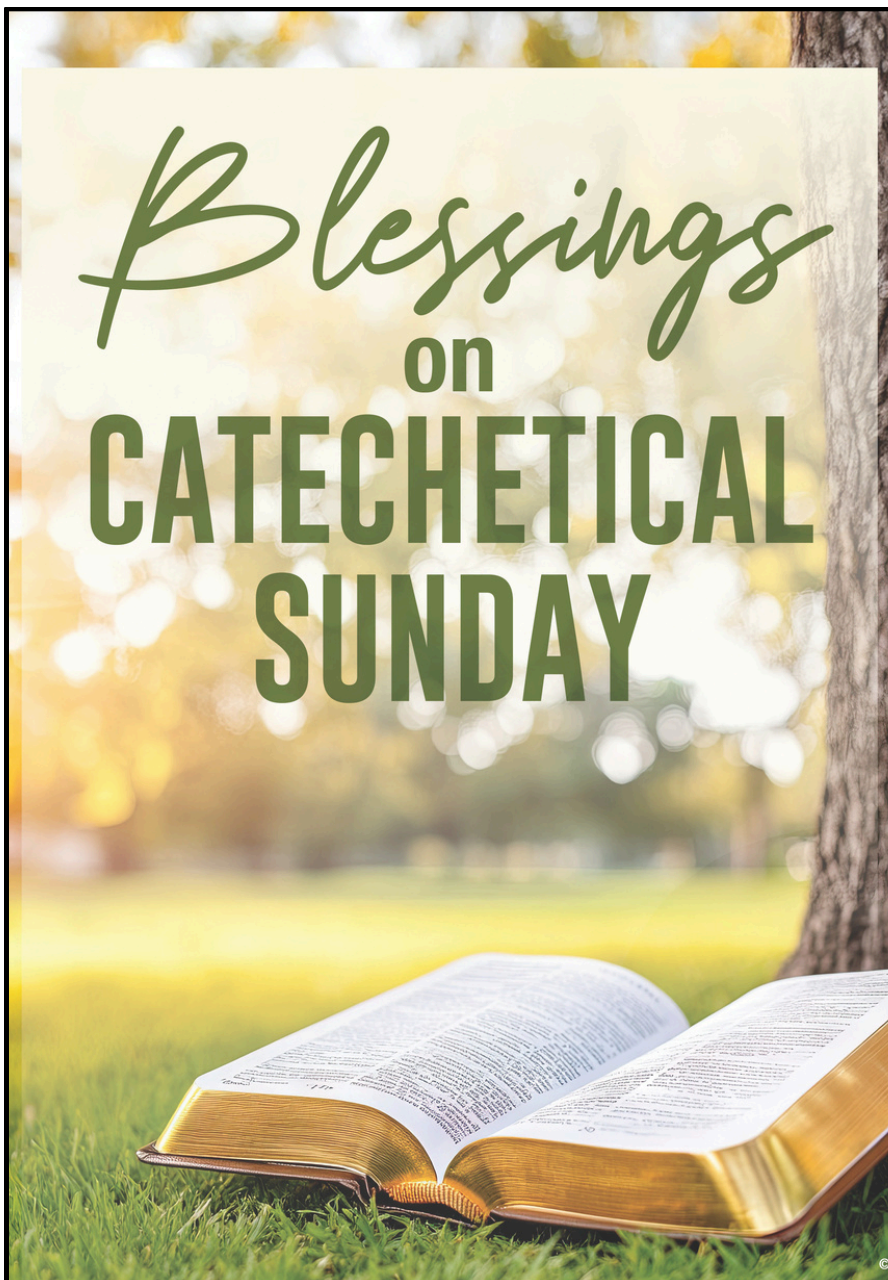


St. Mary of Nazareth

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SEPTEMBER 20, 2026
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Father John Frost 515-276-4042
Deacon Greg Lievens 515-650-2738

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5pm
Sunday: 9am and 11am
Weekdays: Tuesday-Friday 8am
Holy Days: Varies

Confession

Saturday: 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Marriage/Baptism

Contact Parish Office
515-276-4042

Pastoral Care

If you or a loved one is in a care facility, homebound, or hospitalized and desire a visit, please contact:
Father John Frost at 515-276-4042
Deacon Dan Maxcy at 515-276-7589.

New to the Parish

Welcome! Please fill out a registration form found in the Welcome Center or online at our website.

CONTACT US!

St. Mary of Nazareth
4600 Meredith Drive
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www.stmarysdsdm.org
stmarys@stmarysdsdm.org

NEWS YOU CAN USE

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Adults: Do I try to avoid comparisons with others?

Teens: When you compare yourself to someone else, what usually happens to your joy? What might Jesus want you to remember instead?

Children: In the story Jesus tells about heaven, the same "pay" is given to two people even though they didn't do the same amount of "work". Why would this be okay with Jesus?

Save the Date

St. Nicholas Festival & Marketplace
Saturday, Dec 5th.
Celebrating the patron saint of children and toymakers!



Cathy Walsh with Liturgical Press will be here the week of September 21st to help with your bulletin advertising needs! ↓

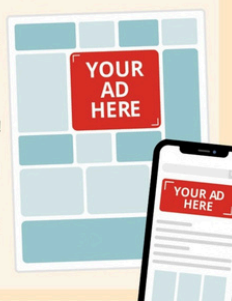
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Celebrate the Feast of St. Francis with a Pet Blessing.

Bring your pet to the east side of the church on Sunday, October 4 at 2 PM.

Receive a pet medallion and prayer card while supplies last.

Do you enjoy working with numbers and want to help serve the needy in our area? Our parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference is in need of a new treasurer. The group meets monthly on Tuesday nights at 5:30 usually lasting about an hour and serve the needs of those in our area with our annual Thanksgiving food baskets, annual fill the donation truck event, plus other activities throughout the year. We're a prayerful, fun group and would love for you to join us, even if you don't want to be treasurer. Contact Dcn Greg at 515-650-2738 or President Joyce Schmitz at [515-518-0335](tel:515-518-0335) for questions or check-out our information at stmarysdsdm.org/svdp.

CHRIST OUR LIFE CONFERENCE

Don't miss the biennial Christ Our Life conference to be held at the Casey's Center in Des Moines on Saturday, September 26 and Sunday, September 27. An all weekend in person or livestream (come and go) adult pass may be purchased for \$30. All student/youth tickets (23 and under) are free of charge thanks to generous donors (but a ticket is required to enter the Casey's Center). Mass will be celebrated each day along with adoration. Reconciliation will be available as well. A high school/college track separate from the main arena will be available. You won't want to miss the renowned speakers lined up for this event! Go to ChristOurLifeIowa.com for schedule and ticket information. There are volunteer opportunities available too. Contact Lori Edler-Bisbee at 515-360-0319 for more information.

AMERICAN FLAG SALE/RETIREMENT

During August and September, the Dowling Assembly 4th Degree Knights of Columbus members are hosting a flag sale and retirement service. A new 3x5 American Flag - American made with quality embroidered stars and sewn stripes costs \$50.00. When your new flag is delivered, we will retrieve any old, tattered, faded United States flags so that they can be properly retired. Flag retirement will be under the supervision of the American Legion and according to the U.S. Flag code. Flag sale proceeds will help fund sending a qualified US Veteran to Lourdes as a part of the international military pilgrimage "Warriors to Lourdes". Order forms are located on the church entry bulletin boards. Orders need to be received by October 1st.

Turn in your order form or if you have any questions, contact STM member Pat O'Keefe, okeefekofc@gmail.com/515-490-6052 or Tom Stork, tomgstork@gmail.com/515-556-2104.

CONTACTS, EVENTS & MORE NEWS

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!

www.stmarysdsdm.org

You will find lots of valuable information by going to our website. Phone numbers and email addresses for Father John and staff can be found there.

Comprehensive information on parish groups and ministries along with contact information can also be found on our website.

OFFICE HOURS

Parish Business Office:

8am to 3pm - Monday-Thursday

8am to 12pm - Friday

Faith Formation/Youth Ministry Office Hours

9am to 3pm - Monday-Thursday

Or by appointment

ONLINE GIVING

www.stmarysdsdm.org/onlinegiving

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday by 8am

STILL NOT FINDING WHAT YOU NEED? CONTACT:

515-276-4042/stmarys@stmarysdsdm.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, September 20

Confirmation Retreat 9am to 3pm

Rosary Before Mass 8:30am

Children's Liturgy of the Word @ 9am Mass

Coffee & Donuts @ 10am - Parish Hall

Becoming Catholic 12:15pm

AA Meeting 7pm

Monday, September 21

Women's Association Craft Night 6:30pm

Tuesday, September 22

Knights of Columbus Leadership 8:45am

Social Crafts 9:30am

SVdP Committee 5:30pm

Wednesday, September 23

Women's Bible Study 9:30am

Choir Practice 5:00pm

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Specific program calendar on website

Thursday, September 24

Pietra Fitness 4:15pm

Knights of Columbus 6pm

Women's Evening Bible Study 6:30pm

Nazareth Nights 7pm

Finance Council 7pm

Saturday, September 26

Foshe Baptism 11am



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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 20

9am † Joe and Marguerite Dunn

11am † For the Parish

Tuesday, September 22

8am † Word & Communion Service

Wednesday, September 23

8am † Word & Communion Service

Thursday, September 24

8am † Patrick Boyle

Friday, September 25

8am † Deceased Members of the DeSio Family

Saturday, September 26

5pm † Eugene Daluga

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