

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 23, 2025



St. Mary Mother of the Church
419 Doucet Road, Lafayette, Louisiana 70503
www.stmarych.com

Pastor	Reverend Cedric Sonnier	Baptism	Expectant parents should register for Baptism Class four to six months before the child's birth. Baptismal classes are held once every month. The deacon celebrates baptisms once per month on Saturday at 10:00 AM.
Deacons	Deacon Michael Crain & Deacon Michael Thompson	Marriages	Anyone interested in getting married at St. Mary Church should contact the church 6-12 months prior to any marriage planning. For further information, see our Website Video.
Phone	337-981-3379	Funerals	To arrange a funeral at St. Mary Church, please call the Parish Office.
Office Hours	Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, 1:00-4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM		
Masses	All Masses are Live Streamed (watch all day) Monday-Friday: 7:00 AM in Church 1 ST Fri & 1 ST Sat Masses with devotions: 7:00 AM Saturday: 4:30 PM in Church Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM in Church		
Reconciliation	Saturday: 3:00-4:00 PM Sunday: 9:45 — 10:15 AM, 4:30 — 4:50 PM Monday - Friday: 6:35 - 6:55 AM		

THIS WEEK

Morning Prayers Monday thru Friday 6:25 – 6:45 AM

Reconciliation Monday thru Friday 6:35 – 6:55 AM

Sun	Feb 23	9:00 AM OCIA (Boumans Hall)
		9:00 AM CCD Elementary (Boumans Hall)
		10:30 AM Scout Sunday Awards (Church)
		10:30 AM Children's Bells ringing at Mass
		6:00 PM Edge (Founders Hall)
Mon	Feb 24	6:00 PM Healing Mass (Church)
Tue	Feb 25	4:00 PM Children's Bell Classes (Church)
		5:00 PM Bells of St. Mary Rehearsal (Church)
		5:00 PM Elementary CCD (Boumans Hall)
Wed	Feb 26	6:00 PM Youth Night (Boumans Hall)
		6:00 PM Adult Vocal Choir Rehearsal (Church)
		6:15 PM Men's Formation (Boumans Hall)
Thu	Feb 27	6:00 PM Youth Night (Boumans Hall)
		6:30 PM Baptismal Seminar (Conference Rm)
Sat	Mar 1	7:00 AM First Saturday Mass & Devotions
Sun	Mar 2	2 nd Collection Capital Improvement
		9:00 AM OCIA (Boumans Hall)



OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY JANUARY	\$ 87,177.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 10,114.00
St. Mary Charities	\$ 2,753.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 1,588.00
TOTAL JANUARY	\$ 101,632.00



MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Feb 24 7:00 AM

Seminarians; Marie Hebert; Kevin Ebner (living)

Tue Feb 25 7:00 AM

Kevin Ebner (living)

Wed Feb 26 7:00 AM

Marie Hebert; Aras & Hazel Manuel; Ginny Maier (living);

Kevin Ebner (living)

Thu Feb 27 7:00 AM

Warren Guidry; Kevin Ebner (living)

Fri Feb 28 7:00 AM

Fr. Cedric M. Sonnier (living); Marie Hebert;

Connie Chachere (living); Fr. Michael Sucharski

Sat Mar 1 7:00 AM

Deceased Mountaineer Priests; Raymond Hargroder

Sat Mar 1 4:30 PM

JonTerez Broussard; James "Mickey" Marceaux; Nelson Knox;

Ned & Shirley Guilbeau; George Latiolais; M/M J.D. Aymond;

William Gillette; Mary Trappey Domingue; Toni Stonecipher;

Barbara "Nina" Sonnier; B.K. Whitfield; Tiger Bech;

J. Horace Comeaux Family; Gerrie McGovern (living);

Herbert Guillory

Sun Mar 2 8:00 AM

Diana Gesser; Dr. Dean Keeley

Sun Mar 2 10:30 AM

Tim Rushing; Dr. Don Mickal; Lucy McGee; Ruth Robin;

Marcia Wells Holland; Ana Claire Smith (living);

Maddie Budden (living); James Lowell Guilbeau;

Mary Margaret Camalo (living)

Sun Mar 2 5:00 PM St. Mary Parishioners

FEBRUARY 24 – MARCH 2

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

Mon Feb 24

Kirk Colarelli

Jeffery Davis

Matthew Durio

Connor Lambert

Kristen Mouton

William Perrin

Christopher Rader

Alexander Robinson

Laurie Smith

Sarah Templett

Victoria Vidrine

Tue Feb 25

Gregory Duthu

Gerald Gerdes, Jr.

Victoria LeBlanc

Wed Feb 26

Joseph Andrus, IV

James Bayard

Karen Bodin

Hollie French

Joshua Sibille

Stephen Yergeau

Thu Feb 27

Janet Brauns

David Calhoun

Gene Callais, Jr.

Wyatt Cutbirth

Jacques Fruge

Paula Gibbens

Blaine Goodrich

Danny Leon

Kenneth Rabalais

Fri Feb 28

Britney Gossen

Angela Hutchison

Noah Shamburger

Jackie Truitt

Sat Feb 29

Stefan Cazan

Mark Moulis

Sat March 1

Judice Acosta

Cooper Antill

Jackson Breau

Gregory Domingue

Abigail Fife

Glenn Ory

Bob Pressler

Karlie Spikes

Katherine Tasman

Sun March 2

Molly Briggs

Dale Castille

Eugene Fortier, Jr.

Emile Heine

Evelyn Hill

Kayla Matte

Cara Olivier

Caroline Shannon

Amanda Smith

SICK IN THE PARISH

Please pray for: Thad Doucet; Cile Martin; Larry Diaz; Glenda Huval; Douglas Cochrane; Pat Sibille; Krieg Sibille; Carolyn & Keath Perron; Gertrude LeBlanc; Nathaniel Gabish; Mary Pat Keeley; Audrey Thibodeaux; Yvonne Bienvenu; Susan Schwing; Phil Mayers; Emily Duhon; Carolyn Levy; Jessica Farrington; Eleanor Hebert; Craig & Susan Andrew; Michael Viator; Arlene Koffskey; Emile Concienne; Anne Bourgeois; Belinda LeBlanc; Mary Margaret Camalo; Thomas Henry; Ashley Blanchard; Charles Domingue; Barbara Arceneaux; Sue Munchrath; Kevin LeBlanc; Bo Domingue; Bea Domingue; Kayla Matte; Will Hernandez.

GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

Purificator for February: Gerry Horaist

Feb 27-28 Kayla Matte & Susan James

Mar 7 Patti Bienvenu & Carol Long

LITURGY

SCOUT SUNDAY

Please join us in congratulating our Scouts as they receive their annual Religious Awards **Sunday, February 23**, at the 10:30 AM Mass at St. Mary.

HEALING MASS

The next Healing Mass is scheduled for **Monday, February 24**, at St. Mary Church. Confessions are at 5:00 PM, and Mass begins at 6:00 PM. Eucharistic Adoration and Healing prayer will follow the Mass. All are welcome!

1st SATURDAY MASS & DEVOTIONS

All are welcome to attend St. Mary First Saturday Mass **March 1**, at 7:00 AM, followed with Immaculate Heart of Mary Devotions

1st FRIDAY MASS & DEVOTIONS

All are welcome to attend St. Mary First Friday Mass **March 7**, at 7:00 AM, followed by a short exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Sacred Heart Devotions.

ROSARY AND NOVENA

The rosary is recited at St. Mary every **Friday before the 7 AM Mass**. Novena to the Blessed Virgin Mary is recited every **Thursday after the 7 AM Mass**.

FLOWER MEMORIALS

Flower memorials on the Altar may be offered for departed loved ones. A donation of \$200 - \$250 is the suggested offering to cover the expense of the arrangements. Flower memorials are not accepted during Advent or Lent. Please contact the office to request your memorial.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

BAPTISMAL SEMINAR

St. Mary Baptismal Seminar is scheduled for **Thu, February 27**, 6:30 - 7:30 PM, in the Ministry Room. To register, call Deborah Duhon at 981-3379 ext. 250.

ST. MARY EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Open registration has begun. For further information or to schedule a tour, please contact: Dina Castille, Principal at 337-984-3750.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

PILGRIMAGE TO CALIFORNIA

St. Mary Mother of the Church Pilgrimage to California is planned for **October 13-20, 2025**. If you are interested in going, please contact Magnificat Travel at 337-291-1933.

CONCERTS



All are invited to attend 2 concerts at St. Mary Church in celebration of our 50th Anniversary.

St. Mary Adult Vocal Choir
and the Bells of St. Mary
Sunday, March 16, 2025
2:00 PM
Free

Chorale Acadienne
Thursday, March 27, 2025
7:00 PM
Tickets available at the door or
visit Chorale's Website

COMMUNITY SERVICE

MOVIE EVENT

Jesus Thirsts the Miracle of the Eucharist is being shown at Our Lady of Fatima Church Theater, **Saturday, March 8**, 1:30 PM, followed by Mass at 4:30 PM. For more information, call 337-806-5556.

MORNING OF REFLECTION

"*Holy Hospitality*" hosted by Live Oak District Theresians, will be held **Saturday, March 15**, at Holy Cross Church, beginning with Mass at 8:00 AM, breakfast at 9:00 AM and the program begins at 9:45 AM. Register by March 6, at:

https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/17BbCRqu7PYzm1B6C9IMug

ENGAGED COUPLES

Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a Sacramental Marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law. Dates are: **Mar. 21-23, Sept. 26-28**. To learn more, visit

www.ceelafayette.org or contact Mike & Phyllis Totaro at 337-962-5798 or reginfo.ceelaf@gmail.com

LENT ACTIVITIES

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is **March 5**. Masses at St. Mary will be at 7:00 AM, 12:30 PM, and 6:00 PM. There is **NO** anticipated Mass on March 4. Ashes will be distributed during Mass. The Collection will be for Catholic Charities of Acadiana.

THE STORY OF THE PASSION DINNER

We welcome all families with children to join us on Ash Wednesday, **March 5**, after the 6:00 PM Mass in Founders Hall, as we celebrate the Story of the Passion dinner. This dinner is geared toward teaching children about the passion of our Lord through scripture and food. It will be a new way to learn about the passion together as a family and we hope to see you there!

RICE BOWL

The Pillars of Lent

As we begin our Lenten journey, reflect on how your prayers, fasting and almsgiving can guide you. As Pope Francis explains, these are "elements which, when lived sincerely, can transform life and provide a sure foundation for dignity and fraternity." How can practicing the Lenten pillars transform your life and the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world? Visit csrricebowl.org to learn more.

Rice bowls may be picked up in the Vestibule of the Church.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

What is it that is so special about the Eucharist?

Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. "*Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist*", explores the truth and beauty of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

The 4-week Lenten Bible Study "*Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist*", begins **Thursday, March 6**, 9:00 AM. The Bible Study continues on March 13, 20 & 27.

For more info or to register, call 337-247-0206.

LENTEN MISSION

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 31; April 1 & 2; 6:00 PM.