

SAINT MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Partnership of St. Mary, Centralia & St. Lawrence, Sandoval

**424 E. Broadway
Centralia, Illinois 62801
(618) 532-6291**



Let us pray,

O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
AMEN

Celebrating our Feast Day



The Assumption
OF THE-BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY

**Blessing
of the
Backpacks
Saturday**

August 13, 2022

**Immediately
Following Mass**



ICE CREAM SOCIAL



**ST. MARY COURTYARD
WEATHER PERMITTING
MOVED TO THE CAFETERIA
IN THE EVENT OF WEATHER**

**BRING LAWN CHAIRS, OR BLANKETS
EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND
BACKPACKS WILL BE BLESSED FOR
ALL SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN**



**LIVE
MUSIC**



Feast of the Assumption

Solemnity Mass

**Monday, August 15, 2022
(Not a Holy Day in 2022)**

St. Mary Church - 8:30 a.m.

*Cake mix and icing
for AutumnFest
available at the
entrance of Church*



2022-2023

**Adult Education Refresher Course:
Bullying Interventions for Organizations**

The 2022-2023 Refresher Course is once again being provided through the Compass Child Protection Safe Environment Training Program. All volunteers, employees, religious and clergy should complete the annual refresher course as soon as possible.

TO COMPLETE THE COURSE GOTO:
<https://diobelle.safeenvironment.org>

**Father Steve will be at
St. Meinrad Archabbey
Monday - Saturday
No weekday Masses**



**SMS
CALENDAR
WINNERS**

August 1, 2022

**Heather Clark
Centralia
Patty Martin
Centralia**

**SCRIPTURE
August 14, 2022**

Jeremiah: 38:4-6,8-10
Psalm: 40:2,3,4,18
Hebrews: 12:1-4
John: 10:27

**SCRIPTURE
August 7, 2022**

Wisdom: 18:6-9
Psalm: 33:1,12,18-19,20-22
Hebrews: 11:1-2,8-19
Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

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Processional	#669	We Walk by Faith
Offertory	#728	All That is Hidden
Communion	#687	You Are Near
Recessional	#686	How Can I Keep from Singing
Readings	984	

NINETEENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME - CYCLE C

MASS Intentions

Saturday, August 6, 2022

4:00 p.m. Church

†Ted & Mary Guinzy †Garland & Shirley Merrell

Sunday, August 7, 2022

10:30 a.m. Church

†Clara Huff Schnake †Beverly Kelly

Saturday, August 13, 2022

4:00 p.m. Church

†Gordon Elliston †Pete Aydt

Sunday, August 14, 2022

10:30 a.m. Church

†Harold "Bud" Miller

†Lawrence & Agnes Goebel

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

Tuesday August 23rd.

SMS Cafeteria - 7:00 p.m.



Please call Mary Miller, if you have a prayer intention needing to be added to the prayer chain, phone 618-292-1229. The prayer chain also needs more prayer warriors if you can volunteer.

Prayer Intentions

Prayer requests will be listed for one month. To submit a prayer request, please contact, Parish Office. 618-532-6291. Requests can only be submitted by the individual or an immediate family member.

For those who are sick, homebound, in the hospital or suffering in any way, especially: **Blain Loll, Robin Cimera, Waylon Vick, Natasha Lang, Fr. Gary Gummersheimer, Brian "Gooter" Gurthrie, Ruby Stratmann, Deb Steward, Carl Dunn, Suffering of Ukraine and all Covid19 patients.**

For those in Care Centers, and Specialized Living Centers... May they stay safe and healthy.

For those serving in the Armed Forces especially:

Dylan Huether or away at College...

May the Holy Spirit guide them.

ST. MARY PARISH SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

STARTING MAY 30, 2022

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY.

(Office Hours) TUESDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

LUNCH 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.



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GOD'S TITHES & YOUR OFFERINGS

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**Thank you for supporting
St. Mary Parish and School**

You may place your envelope in
the basket at St. Lawrence or St. Mary and
Your gift will be credited to you.

ST. MARY PARISH SUPPORT (7/31/22)

Envelopes / Online Giving	\$4323.00
Loose	225.00
Food Pantry	50.00
Cemetery	100.00
School Support	-0-
Improvement Fund	200.00
TOTAL	\$4898.00



**Leadership
Team is
Needed**

Handing on the faith is important. We are seeking individuals who would like to share their faith with the youth of or parishes.

Please contact Father Steve or Vicki Laquet if you are interested.

Date	Time	Event/ Contact	Details
TBA Soon	9:00 a.m. until 10:15 a.m.	Vicki Laquet Parish School of Religion (PSR)	Check schedule for details of when individual classes meet in person and class- room location.
Every Monday	6:00 p.m. Until 7:00 p.m.	Pete Donnelly Scripture Class Parish Office	Join us for discussion of Holy Scripture, Bible reading and more.
Every Monday	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Quilting Sally Tiemann	St. Lawrence Parish Center, until further notice, contact Sally

St. Mary Church

The Sanctuary Candle for the month of August burns in loving memory of...

Verdeyen & Willenborg Families

In Loving Memory



September 2022	Gene Uhls
October 2022	David Schwartz
November 2022	Dr. Avelino Raquiza Lazo MD
December 2022	Nall, Hollern & Duty Family
January 2023	Corinno & Anna Leeta Darin
February 2023	Alan & Rosalie Thomas
March 2023	Elliston & Garnier Families
April 2023	Wayne & Mary Decker
May 2023	Roy Szatkowski
June 2023	OPEN
July 2023	OPEN
August 2023	Verdeyen & Willenborg Families
September 2023	OPEN

St. Mary Chapel

The Sanctuary Candle for the month of August burns in loving memory of...

Mary Louise & Gordon Elliston

In Loving Memory



September 2022	Robert & Gary Kabat
October 2022	Special Intentions
November 2022	Janice Wzientek
December 2022	Roy Szatkowski
January 2023	OPEN
February 2023	OPEN
March 2023	OPEN
April 2023	OPEN
May 2023	OPEN
June 2023	OPEN
July 2023	OPEN
August 2023	Mary Louise & Gordon Elliston
September 2023	OPEN

August 7, 2022

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

When are six words enough? When they are the six words spoken by Jesus in our reading today. They are "Do not be afraid, little flock." That one short phrase, that collection of familiar and comforting words, reminds us of countless times when God has offered reassurance, courage and strength to his people. Even if you are not sure that you remember all of the Bible stories you learned as a child, and even if you can't recite impressive numbers of Bible passages, you can hang onto these six words. They can tell you volumes about God and the loving relationship he has with us who trust him and have entered his "flock." Here's why those few words are so important. In the scripture passage, Jesus is addressing his disciples. He begins by saying, "Do not be afraid." Even if we didn't have the rest of the scripture lesson, that phrase alone would be enough to speak to our hearts and offer us hope. When Jesus utters those words, it's as if he is recognizing that there are people and events in our world that can disturb us, unsettle us or even make us afraid. Jesus knows what it is like to be human — he has firsthand experience with danger, hardship, persecution and hate. Jesus knows that life can offer challenges that can be overwhelming and even debilitating. He does not tell his followers to ignore those sometimes harsh realities. We don't have to pretend that hardships don't exist. Yet in the midst of them, Jesus is offering us reassurance by saying, "Do not be afraid." Yes, there may be times of sickness, challenge or sadness, but — be not afraid. We are not alone in those moments.

Those six words offer us an identity that even a cynical, often discouraging world cannot take away. The world might threaten to knock us down by trying to convince us that we are not good enough, rich enough, smart enough, fashionable enough to be of great value. If we listen to voices of doubt, we could be convinced that we are too old, too weak or simply not skilled enough to make a difference. Those voices could fill us with doubt about our value or ability. But the voice of Jesus defines who we are in God's sight — we are part of his flock, surrounded by his renewing love and therefore able to go into a needy world to make a difference.

Those six words can embolden and empower us to be about the business of serving God and sharing God's love. Because God promises always to be with us, we do not have to be afraid to enter into places of great need. God is already there. We do not have to wonder if we have the wisdom to confront confounding situations; the Good Shepherd will provide the guidance we need. We can take the words of Jesus to heart and be transformed by them.



Accompanying Mothers In Need

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

I am pleased to share with you that on July 26, we established the St. Anne Maternity Fund here in the Diocese of Belleville. This fund was mentioned in the publicity around the decision to place the bishop's residence in Belleville on the real estate market. The net proceeds from the sale of the residence will primarily be used for evangelization, youth ministry, Catholic education and a maternity fund to assist expectant and new mothers.

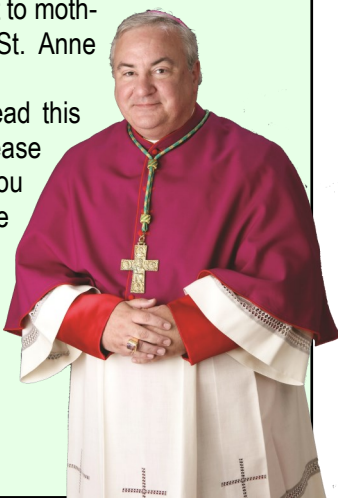
Some may ask: why is the maternity fund named for St. Anne? Catholics have traditionally referred to Saints Joachim and Anne as the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and, hence, the grandparents of Jesus. While their names are not mentioned in the New Testament, Joachim and Anne are the names attributed to the parents of the Virgin Mary since the second century. The Church commemorates the couple in the liturgy on July 26. St. Anne, as a mother and a grandmother, came to mind as a most fitting patron for this new fund that will help us accompany mothers.

On a personal note, July 26 is also the date on which my parents and godparents carried me as an infant into Christ the King church in Chicago many years ago and presented me for baptism. It seemed fitting to me to begin this maternity fund on the anniversary of my baptism because I see this important work as a fruit of the new life of grace that Jesus shared with each of us ever since that "second birth." All of us as baptized Christians are called to live as a new creation in Jesus; my hope is that each of us will recognize that the power of God's merciful love given to us in baptism can be expressed through our works of charity and compassion. I hope many people will join us in extending kindness and support to mothers and their children through the St. Anne fund.

Finally, I am inviting those who read this column in The Messenger to please send a note if there is ever a topic you would like me to address in a future column. You can simply write to me via the email address below. Please know of my daily prayers for you and kindly keep me in your prayers.

In Christ,

Bishop Michael McGovern
bmcgovern@diobelle.org



**Monday
Evening at SMS School
for one hour of Bible
Study**

**6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Everyone Welcome!
Contact Pete Donnelly**

RESPECT LIFE

**BE NOT
Afraid**

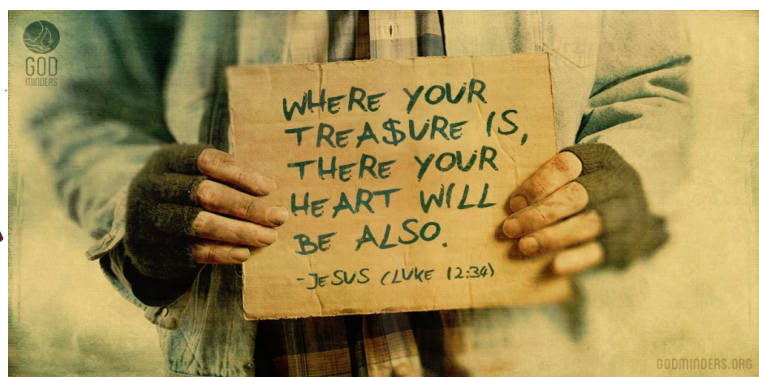
Life-Giving Love in an Age of Technology

"I want to have children with you."

So much meaning is packed into these words, when a man or woman says them to a spouse. Especially in the light of faith, they mean: I entrust myself to you and to you alone— including my ability to join you in cooperating with God to create a son or daughter. I have faith in your ability to be a loving and committed spouse and parent. I want the kind of person you are and the kind of upbringing you can provide to influence the way our children live and grow. I promise to work side by side with you through the years of challenge and adventure we may face as parents, and I trust that you will always be there for me and for our children. In short, it means: I love you so much that I want our married love to be open to children we can love and care for together. This openness to new life, this willingness to beget and raise children together, is essential to married love. It is sad, then, that so many couples hoping to have children find it difficult to do so. It is estimated today that one out of six couples will experience infertility.

The Church has compassion for couples suffering from infertility and wants to be of real help to them. At the same time, some "reproductive technologies" are not morally legitimate ways to solve those problems.

Keeping this vision in mind, we can understand that some aspects of the vocation of marriage and parenthood cannot be delegated to others or replaced with technology. Because we are made in God's image, we are called to imitate him by letting new life arise from the loving union that makes two persons "one flesh." Children deserve to be "begotten, not made." In love, hope, and prayer, then, let us be open to God's gift of life and love in marriage, with profound respect for the dignity of all God's children. usccb.org



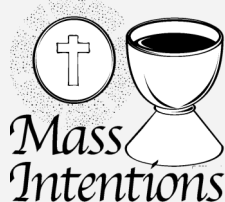
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." Luke 12:34

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

In Loving Memory

Sanctuary Candles burn for one month in memory of a departed loved one. We are asking \$60.00 per month to cover the cost of the candle. For more information and to secure a date contact the Parish Office 532-6291



Mass Intentions
Mass Intentions are \$10.00 per Intention.
Please contact Rene' 532-6291

We are happy you joined us today! If you would like to become a member of our Parish Family, please contact St. Mary Parish Office. 532-6291



Sacraments & Preparation

Sacrament of Baptism: Attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. At least one parent must be a registered active & practicing member of the Parish. Please make arrangements by calling the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Matrimony: The engaged couple should contact the Parish Office, six months prior to the intended date.

RCIA: (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Please contact Vicki Laquet, CRE or Father Steve for information about joining the Church

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Father Steve or a neighboring Priest. Anointing is also available the First Friday of each month following the Chapel Mass, and the First Sunday, (every three months), following the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary and 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Lawrence.

Welcome to St. Mary's Church

We want to keep in contact with you! If you are not a member of our parish family, or if you would like to receive the weekly bulletin in the mail please complete the below information and return it to the parish office.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

☐ I would like to join St. Mary Parish, please send me information on how to register.

I am requesting the following:

- ☐ Please mail the weekly Bulletin to me.
- ☐ Add me to the quarterly Newsletter mailing list.
- ☐ I am homebound, I would like to receive communion.
- ☐ I am interest helping the parish financially.
- ☐ I would like Father Steve to visit or call me.

CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING DATES

Initial Child Protection Policies and Trainings for new volunteers and employees are available online at: www.diobelle.org/faith-formation/child-protection. All volunteers must follow diocesan guidelines to participate in parish activities with minors.

St. Mary Roman Catholic Church Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

REVEREND STEVEN M. PAUTLER - PASTOR

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Joan Beguelin, Pete Donnelly, Garrett Ford, Lisa Guthrie, Wayne Houser, Nancy Lukasik, Vicki Laquet, Manny Maco, Martina Maco, Mary Miller, Greg Schwartz, Nicole Sandahl, Mike Stock, and Patty Williams.

—Finance Council—

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MASS SCHEDULE

LIVESTREAM can be found on the

St. Mary Catholic Church – Centralia, Illinois

FACEBOOK PAGE

<https://www.facebook.com/TimLFergPhotosStM/>

Tuesday Mass 12 Noon St. Mary's Hospital

Thursday 8:30 a.m. St. Lawrence Church

Friday Mass 8:30 a.m. at St. Mary Chapel

Saturday (vigil) Mass, St. Mary 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass, St. Lawrence 8:30 am / Sunday Mass, 10:30am

August 13th & August 14th	4:00 PM	10:30 AM
Lector:	SMS Students	Martina Maco
Extra-Ordinary Minister Eucharist	SMS Staff	J. Burris
Altar Servers	SMS Students	M. Maco B. Hall R. Hall
Ushers:	P. Pierson G. Gettinger	T. Holle T. Ballagh B. Williams
Greeters:	SMS Students	S. Tiemann
Offertory	SMS Students	L. Maco M. Maco
Cantors:	T. Miller	T. Hawkins

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

“My flesh for the life of the world”
.....
“*Mi carne para la vida del mundo*”

John 6:51

UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS Communion with Christ and the Church

When we receive Holy Communion, Christ is giving himself to us. He comes to us in all humility, as he came to us in the Incarnation, so that we may receive him and become one with him. Christ gives himself to us so that we may continue the pilgrim path toward life with him in the fullness of the Kingdom of God. The fourteenth-century Orthodox theologian Nicholas Cabasilas described this sacrament by saying, “unlike any other sacrament, the mystery [of the Eucharist] is so perfect that it brings us to the heights of every good thing: here is the ultimate goal of every human desire, because here we attain God and God joins himself to us in the most perfect union.” Through this sacrament, the pilgrim Church is nourished, deepening her communion with the Triune God and consequently that of her members with one another. (See Code of Canon Law, can. 919 §1.) **“A person who is to receive the Most Holy Eucharist is to abstain for at least one hour before holy communion from any food and drink, except for only water and medicine.”**

The Sacrament of the Eucharist is called Holy Communion precisely because, by placing us in intimate communion with the sacrifice of Christ, we are placed in intimate communion with him and, through him, with each other. Therefore, the Eucharist is called Holy Communion because it is “the efficacious sign and sublime cause of that communion in the divine life and that unity of the People of God by which the Church is kept in being.”

How can we understand this? The Gospel of John recounts that, when Jesus died on the cross, blood and water flowed out (Jn 19:34), symbolic of Baptism and the Eucharist. The Second Vatican Council teaches, “The origin and growth of the Church are symbolized by the blood and water which flowed from the open side of the crucified Jesus,” and that “it was from the side of Christ as he slept the sleep of death upon the cross that there came forth the wondrous sacrament of the whole Church.” In this image from the Gospel of John, we see that the Church, the Bride of the Lamb, is born from the sacrificial love of Christ in his self-offering on the cross. The Eucharist re-presents this one sacrifice so that we are placed in communion with it and with the divine love from which it flows forth. We are placed in communion with each other through this love which is given to us. That is why we can say, “the Eucharist makes the Church.” We are first incorporated into the Body of Christ, the Church, through the waters of Baptism. Yet Baptism, like the other sacraments, is ordered toward Eucharistic communion.

The other sacraments, as well as with every ministry of the Church and every work of the apostolate, are tied together with the Eucharist and are directed toward it. The Most Blessed Eucharist contains the entire spiritual boon of the Church, that is, Christ himself, our Pasch and Living Bread, by the action of the Holy Spirit through his very flesh vital and vitalizing, giving life to men who are thus invited and encouraged to offer themselves, their labors and all created things, together with him.



**St. Lawrence
Knights of Columbus
Council 11758**

St. Mary School

Student Assistance Breakfast

**Sunday, August 28, 2022
St. Lawrence Parish Center**

PROCEEDS BENEFIT SMS

CATHOLIC RADIO

**Listen to daily mass,
the rosary and other
inspirational programs
to enhance your
spirituality.**



Saint Mary Parish

Autumn-Fest

SATURDAY

SEPTEMBER 10th

9-11 MEMORIAL 5K RUN



2001-2022

Saturday, September 10, 2022 - 8:00 a.m. - St. Mary School Parking Lot

Pre-register at: <http://www.stmarycentralia.org> or call 618-532-3473



Blue Mass - 4:00 p.m.

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BBQ STAND

SERVING BEGINS AT 4:00 P.M.

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SERVED AS - SANDWICHES OR PLATES

Sides, Nachos & Cheese, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Chips

COLD DRINKS - PLENTY OF SEATING



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STIR OF ECHOES

8pm - 11pm

Cake Walk
Basket Walk
Kids Games
Cash Raffle

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TO PURCHASE
RAFFLE TICKET**

ST. MARY PARISH AUTUMNFEST
DRAWING SEPTEMBER 10, 2022

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

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DONATION \$20.00

St. Mary Parish AutumnFest

Saturday, September 10, 2022
NEED NOT BE PRESENT FOR DRAWING

FIRST PRIZE: \$1500.00

SECOND PRIZE: \$1000.00

THIRD PRIZE: \$ 250.00



DONATION \$20.00



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**SCAN QR CODE
TO REGISTER FOR
5K RUN**



Welcome to our newest Altar Servers, Michael and Angela! They served Mass for the first time at the 10:30 a.m. Mass last Sunday. We are always excited to welcome new ministers to St. Mary Parish. Thank you for responding to the sign-up request during July. If you are interested in any ministry, please contact Vicki Laquet at the Parish Office.



Would you like more information about vocations and the Church? Please consult the following United States Conference of Catholic Bishops vocations website:

www.foryourvocation.org

Here is another helpful link for men considering the priesthood. If you select the Diocese of Belleville and provide your contact information, you will receive a free copy of the book.

"To Save a Thousand Souls,"

by Father Brett Brannen:
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