

SAINT MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHUR

Parish Family of St. Mary, Centralia & St. Mary, Mt. Vernon

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St. Mary, Centralia Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 p.m. Sunday Mass - 10:30 a.m. RECONCILIATION

> Saturday 3:15 p.m. - 3:50 p.m. or by appointment 618-532-6291 x(307)

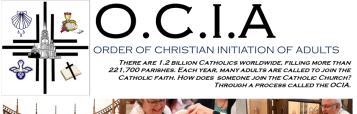
Live-Stream (Saturday Vigil) https://www.facebook.com/ TimLFergPhotosStM

St. Mary, Mt. Vernon Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m. RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. or by appointment 618-244-1559

16th. Sunday

Show favor, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands. 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





Each year on Holy Saturday during the Easter Vigil, thousands are baptized into the Catholic Church in the United States. Parishes welcome these new Catholics through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. St. Mary Parish, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, meets on Sunday at 11:130 a.m. The program runs from September 10, 2023 until May 5, 2023. Catechumens are joined by sponsors and a team to prepare and review Catholic Doctrine.

Have questions? We will begin the inquiry stage soon. If you, or someone you know is interested in joining the Church, please complete the form below.

Your Name	PHONE
Email	-

PLACE IN THE COLLECTION BASKET, OR DROP IT OFF AT THE PARISH OFFICE PLACE IT IN THE US MAIL: ST. MARY PARISH, Attn: O.C.I.A 424 F BROADWAY CENTRALIA, IL 62801

NEIGHBORING PARISHES MASS SCHEDULE

St. Lawrence Parish

412 N. Vine Street Sandoval, Illinois 62882 Sunday Mass 8:30 a.m. Thursday Mass 9:00 a.m.

Immaculate Conception of Mary Parish

1550 Main Street Mt. Vernon, IL 62864 Sunday Mass (vigil) 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m. Monday Mass 8:30 p.m. Tuesday Mass 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Mass 8:30 a.m. Thursday Mass (Hospital) 8:30 a.m. Friday Mass 8:30 a.m.

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

812 W. Main Street Salem, IL 62881 Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m. Tuesday Mass 9:00 a.m. Friday Mass 9:00 a.m.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

N Madison & Sycamore Kinmundy IL 62854 Sunday Mass 9:15 a.m.

St. Ann Parish

631 S. Mill St Nashville, IL 62263 Saturday: (Vigil) 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 10:30 a.m.



CALENDAR WINNERS July 17, 2023

Leslie Parker Denver, CO Melody Oglesby

Centralia

Cursillo Weekend

The 2023 Weekend dates are:

Men #40: August 17-20, 2023

-Application deadline: July 28, 2023

The Men's Weekend will be held at the new King's House located at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville, IL.

If interested, contact Mark Kabat - 316-8027



JULY 24TH - JULY 28TH

Seventeenth Sunday **July 30, 2023**

1 Kings: 3:5,7-12 Psalms: 119:57,72,76-77 Romans: 8:28-30 Matthew 13:44-52

Sixteenth Sunday **July 23, 2023**

Wisdom 12:13,16-19 Psalm 86:(5a)5-6,9-10,15-16; Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43

Processional: #585. Praise the Lord.

#725. Unless a Grain of Wheat. Offertory:

#632, I Want to Walk as a Child of Light. Communion:

#579, We praise You.

Recessional: #740, Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Readings:



Saturday, July 22, 2023 4:00 p.m. St. Mary Church

Michael & Mary Handzo+

Sunday, July 23, 2023

10:30 a.m. St. Mary Church

Jack Bryne & Terry O'Gara +

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

(NO MASS) until August 1, 2023

12:00 p.m. St. Mary Hospital Chapel

Friday, July 28, 2023

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

For the People +

Saturday, July 29, 2023

4:00 p.m. St. Mary Church

Ray Gettinger +

Sunday, July 30, 2023

10:30 a.m. St. Mary Church

Crucephine Pierson+ Marcia Durian +

CENTRALIA CARE CENTER

We are in need of one more extra-ordinary minster to bring Holy Communion to Centralia Care Center. There are two ministers serving now, we need a third to make the monthly rotation work better.

MASS INTENTIONS

You can remember your departed loved ones through a Mass Intention. In his encyclical Mirae caritatis (1902), Pope Leo XIII situated the offering of Mass for others in the true context of our concern for others, the Communion of Saints. Please contact the Parish Office 618-532-6291.

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

For those who are sick, homebound, in the hospital or suffering in any way, especially: Blain Loll, Robin Cimera, Waylon Vick, Natasha Lang, Brian "Gooter" Gurthrie, Ruby Stratmann, Deb Steward, Mark Schwartz, The 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...



visit: stmarycentralia.org

GOD'S TITHES & YOUR OFFERINGS

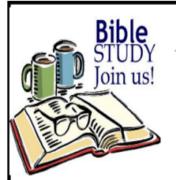


Thank you for supporting St. Mary Parish and School

You may place your envelope in the basket at St. Lawrence, Sandoval or St. Mary, Mt. Vernon or any neighboring parish and your gift will be credited to you.

PARISH SUPPORT (7/16/2023)

Weekly Envelopes	\$3,675.00
Online Giving Weekly Envelopes	720.90
Loose	267.00
SMS School Support	125.00
Building Fund	150.00
Cemetery	85.00
Food Pantry	152.00
Total Gifts Received	\$5174.90



Monday Evening at SMS School for one hour of Bible Study

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

Date	Time	Event/ Contact	Details
Every Sunday	STARTING IN THE FALL	Contact CRE, Cassandra Groff	Students meet in class- rooms located at SMS and the Parish Office.
Every Sunday	Starting September 10th 11:30 a.m.	Contact Deacon Dan 532-6291	Right of Christian Initiation of Adults - Joining the Catholic Church.
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	Former St. Lawrence School use the door located off the parking lot.

Donation is \$60.00 per month, please contact the Parish Office for information 618-532-6291



PRAYER FOR ETERNAL REST

In your hands, O Lord,
we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.
In this life you embraced them with your tender love;
deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest.
The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise,
where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain,
but the fullness of peace and joy
with your Son and the Holy Spirit
forever and ever. Amen.



The Sanctuary Candle Burns in Memory of: Donoho & Metzger Families

The Sanctuary Candle Burns in Memory of: Beverly "Mickey" Kelly

Month	St. Mary Church	St. Mary Chapel
August 2023	Verdeyen & Willenborg Families	Mary Louise & Gordon Elliston
September 2023	Gene Uhls	Robert & Gary Kabat
October 2023	David Schwartz	Dr. Charles Fischer
November 2023	Harold "Pete" Aydt	Anthony M. Pautler
December 2023	Bill Nall & Carol Hollern	Donald Kelly
January 2024	Corinno & Anna Leeta Darin	OPEN
February 2024	Alan & Rosalie Thomas	OPEN
March 2024	Elliston & Garnier Families	OPEN
April 2024	Michelle Lehman	OPEN
May 2024	Ralph & Bernice Sprehe	OPEN
June 2024	Henry, Dorothy, Theresa Verdeyen	OPEN
July 2024	OPEN	OPEN
August 2024	Mary Ballagh	OPEN

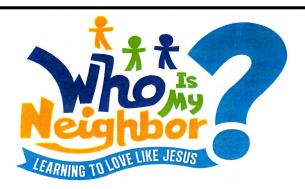
16th. SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 23, 2023

Deacon Dan Laquet

I am going to focus on the Gospel reading this week because it relates such a beautiful message to us about the nature of God. This week we continue to hear of several parables in the Gospel of Matthew. Parables that Jesus uses to teach about the Kingdom of God when He addresses those who have come to hear Him speak. Last week we heard of the Sower, whose seeds fell in a variety of places and produced different results based on where they landed. Jesus explained that the seeds were the Word of God, and depending on the person who received God's Word, it produced varying outcomes.

Today, we hear of the Sower who spread good seed in his field, but then an enemy came behind him and sowed weed seeds amongst the wheat the farmer had spread. When the weeds began to grow with the wheat, the Sower chose to let them coexist until harvest time realizing that if the weeds were pulled out some of the wheat would be too. Jesus explains that the wheat represents the righteous, while the weeds symbolize the wicked, and that God will separate them from one another at the final judgement. This parable depicts the ongoing spiritual battle between good and evil, showing the strategies used by the devil to sow deception within the world and thus hinder the growth of God's kingdom. It also emphasizes God's patience and love for us as He allows both the wheat and weeds to grow till harvest, symbolizing the delay of final judgement, and giving those who need it an opportunity for repentance. We become aware of God's ultimate sovereignty and authority here when the righteous will be gathered into His kingdom and the wicked will be cast into eternal punishment.

Jesus tells us, "Whoever has ears ought to hear", a challenge to us to reflect on our hearts and choices. We all have moments of goodness and weakness, love and selfishness. Recognizing our imperfections humbles us and allows for self-reflection. It is our job to protect the wheat within us and uproot the weeds. We nurture the good while striving for spiritual growth, increased love of God and neighbor, and repentance. By embracing this process, we create space for God's grace to transform us into someone who bears abundant fruit. Simple acts of kindness, compassion, and faithfulness can have extraordinary impacts on our own lives and the lives of those around us. God's kingdom works through humility. Through our humble efforts, we trust that God can use them to grow His kingdom and create receptive hearts in those we encounter.



Location: St. Mary School

Dates: Monday, July 24-Friday, July 28

Time: 6:00 P.M.-7:30 P.M. Ages: Preschool (potty trained)-5th

Register: https://forms.gle/gTgZYPn92gYvGeCt5

We need volunteers to make VBS a success! There are many tasks to do before, during, and after VBS. Prayerfully consider how you can support the children of this congregation and the local community as they explore our call to love our neighbors. This year's director is Maria Pryor and can be reached by email/phone at mariapryor@stmarycentralia.org (618)532-3473. Check the boxes

you're interested in and we will contact you with more information.

Thank you!

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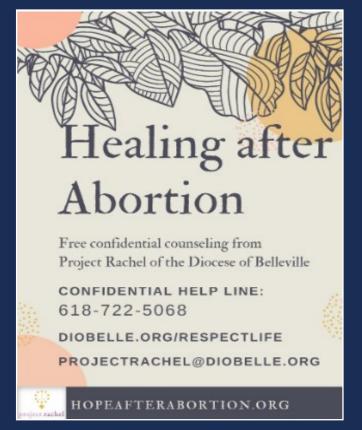
- Prepare snacks
- Prepare arts and crafts
- Setup
- Cleanup
- ☐ Help as needed



Name: Email / Phone:







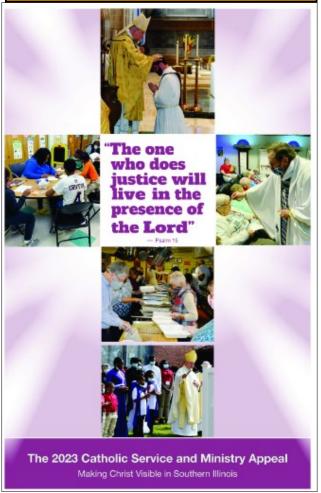


16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom."-Matthew 13:24, 37-38

As children of God, we are all "good seeds". We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow "good seeds" on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!







FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT US AT 618-532-6291 or visit us at: stmarycentralia.org

Vocation Corner

"The countless gravestones at Normandy American Cemetery in France stirred my heart. These brave soldiers who sacrificed their lives challenged me: Would I be willing to lay down my life, as these men did, for the Lord and his people? Long before this pivotal moment, the seeds of my vocation had been planted by family role models. My grandfather served his family and parish sacrificially for many years after his WWII duty. Likewise, my father coached me in self-discipline, and my dear mother raised me to serve others. It was at college that the Lord Jesus truly captured my heart. After graduation, I served as a missionary and met the Brotherhood of Hope. I admired the brothers and their work evangelizing students at secular universities, but I resisted the idea of celibacy and did not have the courage to explore a vocation with them until after my experience at Normandy Beach. My years with the Brothers of Hope have strengthened my conviction that Jesus Christ alone can satisfy our deepest desires."

Brother Brandt Haglund; Brotherhood of Hope, Tallahassee, FL.; Columbia Magazine May 2022



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 are \$10.00 per Intention. Please call: 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 j	oin St. Mary Parish,	please send me
information on ho	w to register.	
I am requesting th	e following:	
☐ Please mail th	ne weekly Bulletin to	me.
■ Add me to the	e quarterly Newslette	er mailing list.
I am homeboι	und, I would like to re	eceive communion.
I am interest l	nelping the parish fir	nancially.
☐ I would like Fa	ather Steve to visit o	r call me

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SAINT MARY PARISH NEW OFFICE HOURS

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY.

(Office Hours) TUESDAY - FRIDAY 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. LUNCH 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS LIST - IF YOU ARE NOT AVAILABLE PLEASE FIND A SUBSTITUTE

29-Jul	Bill Broda	Deacon Dan	Liliana Nocerino	Gene Gettinger	Paul Cozadd	Mary Finckbone	Tammy Miller
4pm		Luke Fitzgerald	Bill Broda?	Mike Stock	Theresa Cozadd	Terry Bell	
		Jo Warren		James Opolony		LuAnn Pugh	
		Susan Niepoetter					
30-Jul	James Burris	Deacon Dan	Emma Burris	Tom Holle	Tom Holle	Doug Pahnke	Paulette Pahnke
10:30AM		Luke Fitzgerald	Camden Williams	Tom Ballagh		Ushers	
		Manuela Maco	Shyla Campbell				
		Jaxson Hancock					



HOW TO PURCHASE YOUR

\$50.00 **RAFFLE TICKET** \$50.00

Please note that only **400** Raffle Tickets are available for sale. Once all tickets have been sold, no further purchases can be made. To ensure you secure a ticket, please complete the provided form and return it to the St. Mary Parish Office. Upon receipt of your form and payment, we will send you an official ticket with a unique number to the address you have specified. Alternatively, you can acquire your ticket directly from the parish office or obtain it from the back of the church. You may also scan the **QR** code above to obtain your ticket. If you require additional information, please contact the parish office at 618-532-6291.

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Quest Retreat

The Quest Retreat program designed for Freshman and Sophomores in High School. The first weekend will take place on November 4 and 5 at Sacred Heart Parish in Duquoin, and the second weekend will take place on March 2 and 3 at St. Dominic's Parish in Breese. Quest is an overnight retreat where participants learn about and share their faith through a series of activities and talks. The Quest program begins around 10 am on Saturday and closes with a



Mass on Sunday evening. For more information feel free to contact this email bellevillequest@gmail.com.

ST. LAWRENCE MASS SCHEDULE BEGINNING SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023

Day	Reconciliation	Mass Time
Sunday	8:00 a.m 8:20 a.m.	8:30 a.m.
Thursday	None	9:00 a.m.

On my way home! Do you like my selfie? Love Sister Gracie!



SATURDAY, JULY 15, 2023				
Day	Reconciliation	Mass Time	Location	
Saturday	3:30 p.m 3:50 p.m.	4:00 p.m. (Vigil)	St. Mary Church	
Sunday	None	10:30 a.m.	St. Mary Church	
Tuesday	None	12:00 p.m.	St. Mary Hospital Chapel	
Wednesday	None	*8:30 a.m.	St. Mary Chapel (Class Mass) Beginning 09/06/2023	
Thursday	None	*Rosary 5:00 p.m. *Mass 5:30 p.m.	St. Mary Chapel Beginning 09/07/2023	
Friday	None	8:30 a.m. *8:30 a.m.	St. Mary Chapel (Summer) St. Mary Church (All School) Beginning 9/08/2023	

ST. MARY MASS SCHEDULE BEGINNING







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