

ST. LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH SANDOVAL, ILLINOIS

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD JUNE 01, 2025

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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

HOLY MASS SCHEDOLE: St. Lawrence: Sunday at 8:30 am - Tuesday at 9:00 am - Holy Day Vigil at 6:00 pm St. Elizabeth: Sunday at 9:30 am - St. Mary: Saturday at 4:00 pm - Sunday at 10:30 am - St. Theresa: Sunday at 11:00 am

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Marriage: Contact Pastor at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the sick. Available as needed and at Mass twice a year.

Communion for the homebound. Contact Pastor or call the office.

Religious vocation: For inquiries, contact Pastor

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MASS INTENTIONS

Jun 01 Rose Mary Jourdan

Jun 03 Mary Darin

Mary (Nattier) Niepoetter

Adolfa Poli

Ronald Barrow

Nancy (Nalewajka) Berry

Jun 8 Tom & Judy Beyers Anniversary

Jun 10 NO MASS

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

May 25, 2025

Envelopes \$ 856.00 Loose 303.00

Shalom 25.00

181.00

5.00

10.00

Seminarian Ed 136.00

Cemetery Fund

Communication

Mass Intentions

Attendance -108 -

Thank you for all your donations.

LITURGICAL ROLES

SERVERS: Eugene Nalewajka

LECTOR: Mary Williams

Theresa Ingles

GREETERS: Cindy Lusch

GIFT BEARERS: Brenda Schaubert & Bob Perry

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: CANTOR: Marlene Lackey

Wayne Houser (Body of Christ) COUNTERS TEAM: Linda DeKalb

Mary Jo Jones & Jane Waddell (Blood of Christ)

Theresa Ingles

SERVERS: Dave Peters GREETERS: Rachel Peters

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LECTOR: Theresa Oldham **GIFT BEARERS:** Anna Adams & Bob Perry

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Jaime Toedte (Body of Christ)
Eugene & Nancy Nalewajka (Blood of Christ)

CANTOR: Marlene Lackey
COUNTERS TEAM: Jan Gillett

Theresa Ingles

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun Jun 01 ASCENSION of the

LORD MASS:

CONFESSION 8:00-8:20

St. Lawrence: 8:30 am St. Elizabeth: 9:30 am

St. Mary: 10:30 am

St. Theresa: 11:00 am KNIGHTS WILL BE SELLING BASEBALL

TICKETS AFTER MASS

Tues Jun 03 MASS:

St. Lawrence 9:00 am

Sat Jun 07 MASS:

St. Mary: 4:00 pm

Sun Jun 08

PENTECOST SUNDAY

MASS:

CONFESSION 8:00-8:20

St. Lawrence: 8:30 am St. Elizabeth: 9:30 am St. Mary: 10:30 am

St. Theresa: 11:00 am

Tues Jun 10 NO MASS

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Knights News

The St. Lawrence Knights are selling raffle tickets for a Cardinals vs. Cubs baseball game at Busch Stadium. The winner will get four seats in the all-inclusive National Car Rental Club with unlimited food and drink. Parking is also included. Game date is June 25, 2025 at 6:45 p.m. The drawing will be held on June 16th at the monthly KC meeting. Tickets are \$10.00 each. Get your raffle ticket from Grand Knight David Schulte or any St. Lawrence Knight.

The Knights will be having a breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, June 8th from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. at St. Lawrence Hall. The menu will be sausage, eggs, biscuits, gravy, pancakes, fruit cocktail, coffee, milk, and juice. Free will offering. All profits from this breakfast will assist with Knights of Columbus charities. Please invite your family and friends.



Reverend Steven Pautler

At our final school Mass before summer break, I tossed out two simple questions to our St. Mary students: "What did you like most about school this year?" and "What are you doing this summer?" Now, if you think the answers were full of theological depth and saintly aspirations, well... grab a snow cone and think again.

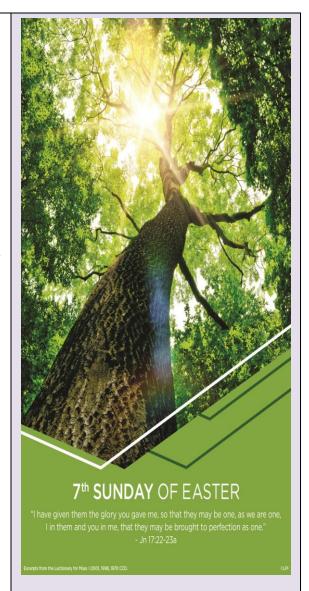
Let's start with the first question—What did you like most about St. Mary School? The top responses? Recess, snacks, and friends—a holy trinity of childhood joy. But what warmed my priestly heart (and not just because someone again, turned the A/C thermostat to 80!) was this: student after student said, "My teachers." Over and over again. What a beautiful testament to the vocation of teaching! Right here at St. Mary's, faith isn't just taught—it's lived, modeled, and passed on. You could say we're building saints with glue sticks and grammar books.

Now, question number two—What are you doing this summer? Oh boy. We had it all: visits to "the Mouse" in Florida (Mickey, not a parish rodent—I checked), swimming, camping, and even one proud soul who said, "I'm going to mow grass." A true suburban missionary. But the overwhelming winner? "Sleeping in!" Apparently the only bells they want to hear this summer are not from the 8:00 AM class bell. And hey, even Jesus told the disciples to rest a while—so who am I to argue? Which brings us to this week's Gospel from Luke 24:46–53—Jesus blesses His disciples and is taken up to heaven. But before He goes, He gives them a mission: "You are witnesses of these things." That's our call too. As we step into summer, it's not just a vacation from math facts and spelling lists—it's a new season to live our faith in flip-flops and sun-screen.

So I'll ask you the same question I asked our students: **What are you doing this summer?** Sleeping in is fine. A little fishing? Perfect. Even a trip to the Magic Kingdom—enjoy! But here's the real challenge: **Does God get any extra time?** Maybe it's ten minutes in prayer, a good Catholic book, a family rosary, or helping a neighbor. Because the mission Jesus gave His disciples? It didn't end at the Ascension—it started there.

And if you're like me, you'll be spending part of the summer answering emails that begin with "Father, quick question..." and end somewhere around the Book of Revelation, trying to figure out who keeps re-setting the church sign to say "Taco Tuesday," and dodging invitations to "just stop by for a minute" that mysteriously last three hours and involve moving furniture. It's the kind of pastoral cardio they never warned us about in seminary. Pray for your pastor—he's fueled by grace, coffee, and whatever baked goods show up in the office unannounced.

In all seriousness, our students remind us what joyful, authentic faith looks like. They laugh loudly, sing off-key, ask big questions, and hug hard. May we carry that same spirit into the summer—less stress, more joy, and yes, maybe a nap or two. After all, even saints need siesta



Respect Life Corner The Ascension of the Lord June 01, 2025

If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion"



St. Lawrence Church

The Sanctuary Candle for the month of June in loving memory of...

John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny, & Burns Family

In Loving Memory

June 2025 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny,

& Burns Family

Marcus Oehmke July 2025

Marcella Schulte August 2025

September 2025 Jim Gore.

Shedelbower & Gore Familes

October 2025 Bobby Hill,

Aaron & Dorothy Niepoetter

November 2025 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny

& Burns Family

December 2025 Shaun Ford

January 2026 Altadonna Family

February 2026 Mike Shaffer

March 2026 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny

& Burns Family

April 2026 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny Burns

& Burns Family

May 2026 Open

June 2026 Ron Clark

July 2026 Marcus, Marilyn & Robert Oehmke

August 2026 Knabe & Dunphy Family

John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny, September 2026

& Burns Family

If, you would like to put a picture in front of the Sanctuary Candle put it up there on the 1st of the month until the last day of the month. You don't have to put a picture up if you don't want to. It is up to you.



RECENTLY **DEPARTED** SOULS

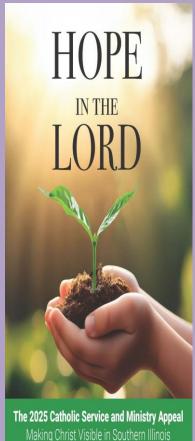
2025

Victoria (Vic) Steele Mary Kay Gunther

Vocation Corner The Ascension of the Lord June 01 2025

"I was blessed to attend strong Catholic parishes and entered the Academy of Fine Arts to study painting, which was a dream come true. Still nothing in my life satisfied me completely. I wanted to grow closer to God and I felt the call to give my all to Christ. However, I was terrified with the idea of leaving my family and my dreams, painting, dancing and children. Then a moment came in prayer when deep in my heart I simply said to God, "OK, I will do it". Suddenly, a peace entered my life like I never experience before. I never knew such peace existed. I completed my school studies and soon went to the convent with my suitcase." Sister Gaudia Skass, Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy,

Krakow Poland, Columbia, May 2016, pg. 42.



The 2025 Catholic **Service and Ministry Appeal**

Hope in the Lord

A donation to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal assists people throughout southern Illinois through the work of 17 diocesan ministries and programs. Your donation can be a one-time gift or a pledge and be made in cash, by check, credit card (MasterCard or VISA) or stocks and securities. If you haven't yet done so, please consider making your gift today! Thank you for your generosity.

Quote for the week: Whenever life plants you, bloom with grace.

Seventh Week of Easter

On Sunday, most of the world will celebrate the Ascension of the Lord, and the dioceses who celebrated the feast earlier, will celebrate the **Seventh Sunday of Easter**. As if in preparation for Pentecost Sunday, we read in Acts of the stoning of Stephen, who is "filled with the Holy Spirit." In John's Gospel the poetic words of Jesus are a love song to us as he prays to his Father, "Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me...."

During the upcoming week, the first reading continues from the **Acts of the Apostles**. We are following the preaching and ministry of Paul. We can feel his intensity as he urges the Ephesians to follow his example in living the faith "I served the Lord with all humility and with the tears and trials that came to me..." He returns to Jerusalem to face persecution but remains under house arrest, teaching and meeting with followers.

The gospels are from **John's Gospel**, chapter 16 and 17. Jesus warns his disciples that they will be scattered and says they will find trouble in the world but assures them he has conquered the world. Jesus' prayer reflects the passionate, inseparable nature between him and his Father. "I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work that you gave me to do." "I pray ... that they may all be one ... as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us." Jesus challenges Peter three times to "feed my sheep" and the Easter season comes to a close as **John's gospel** concludes on Saturday. These wonderful readings end: "There are also many other things that Jesus did, but if these were to be described individually, I do not think the whole world would contain the books that would be written."

Sunday is the great feast of **Pentecost**, the birthday of the Church. The readings and the whole Church celebrate the coming and ongoing presence of the Holy Spirit among us. The Apostles who had been so frightened are now on fire. Now they can speak clearly, so everyone can understand them. In **John's Gospel**, Jesus breathes on his jittery followers and tells them, "Peace be with you" and fills them with courage, giving them the mission to forgive and sending them to carry out his desire that we all be one.

Daily Prayer This Week

We can hardly believe the message from this week's gospel. It is one of complete invitation to us. Jesus tells us of his intimate bond with the Father and invites us into the same kind of close relationship with Jesus himself.

He does not promise us a trouble-free life, and is clear about the challenges we will face as his followers. He cautions us that the world will want to make us one of "its own" and Jesus lovingly protests that we are his, not the world's. He prays to the Father of us, "They are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me..."

This kind of loving dialogue with the Father is what Jesus wants with us. It does not mean our lives will be trouble-free but we are offered the peace in our hearts that Jesus longs to give us.

Some days we may feel anything but peace in our hearts. That is the time to pause and open our hands and our hearts to the Lord. Just the simple physical act of opening our hands can send a signal to our hearts. We can stop thinking and start feeling the love that Jesus has for us.

We can begin each morning at the side of our beds, aware of the sacredness of the day ahead of us, and ask for peace, courage and guidance. On our way to work or while taking care of our family, cooking or running errands, we can stop for the briefest moment and ask again: "Lord, help me to feel how much you love me. Help me to accept that love and carry it to all those you send into my life today."

And at the end of the day, we can pause again at the side of our bed, reflect for a moment on our day and offer thanks for the moments where we felt in our hearts the love of Jesus. And, we can ask that tomorrow we can feel the Lord's own love and compassion for us - and beg that we can pass that along.

Like Peter in Friday's gospel, we have denied Jesus many times in our lives but he looks at us again with love and simply says, "Follow me."

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries web site:

h ps://onlineministries.creighton.edu/Collabora veMinistry/Prayer/A1-OT-30.html

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (C)

Ascension of the Lord June 01, 2025 Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47:2-, 6-9 (6) Ephesians 1:17-23 Mark 16:15-20 Pentecost Sunday June 08, 2025 Acts 2:1-11 Psalm 104:1, 24, 2-31, 34 Romans 8:8-17 John 14:15-16, 23b-26 Gathering: #429 Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise Pres. Of Gifts: #669 We Walk by Faith

Communion: #774 With All the Saints
Recessional: #430 Go Make of All Disciples

Readings: 916



School's Out, Vibes Are On: Cruisin' Into Our Summer Eras!!

We out, bruh! We're heading into our summer eras and ready for some well-deserved fun and relaxation. Wishing all of our students and families a safe and happy summer break. Enjoy every moment, and we'll see you in August, refreshed and ready for a new year! Soak up the sunshine, make some memories, and don't forget—St. Mary's will be cheering you on every step of the way!



A Little Tale from the Big Day: Kindergarten Graduation at St. Mary School

It was a sunny morning at St. Mary School, the kind of day that made you believe even the crayons were smiling. The gym was decked out in streamers and joy, and every folding chair seemed to

lean forward in anticipation. Why? Because today wasn't just any day-it was kindergarten Graduation for Bailey, Audrey, Geneva, Beau, Charlie, Cruz, Maaevrie, Harrison, Natalie, and Spencer.

The little graduates marched in, some with proud grins, others with shy glances-but all ten wore their paper caps like tiny crowns of courage. We aren't just proud-we're overflowing with pride. These ten bright stars have lit up our classrooms, our hallways, and our hearts.



We are so proud of the determination and put forth by Carson and his fellow Stallions at Christ our Rock this 2025 track season. He has advanced to state in the 3200 meter race. Congratulations on another amazing season! Your parish is behind you 100%!





Clear the Clutter for a cause!" Rummage Sale donations accepted June 2nd-4th

Don't forget to start gathering your items for the St. Mary School PTO Rummage Sale! Do-nation drop-off dates are **Monday**, **June 2nd through Wednesday**, **June 4th**, **2025**, so now's the perfect time to clean out closets, garages, and storage bins. Be sure to have everything ready to go before the sale kicks off on Thursday, June 5th. Let's make this event a big success with lots of great donations!

SMS CALENDAR WINNERS

MONDAY, MAY 26, 2025 AMANDA SPENNER – CENTRALIA ANDREA WILLIAMS - CENTRALIA St. Mary School is hiring for a junior high teaching position. They are looking for a qualified teacher to join an amazing environment with the best students. All applicants must be Christian, and a strong background in math is preferred. Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled. Interested candidates can email their resumes to: mariapryor@stmarycentralia.org

For more information, you can contact us at: 618-532-3473 or visit www.smscentralia.org.

SUNDAY MASS

- St. Mary (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.
- St. Mary (Vigil) Carlyle 4:30 p.m.
- St. Mary 7:30 a.m.
- St. Lawrence 8:30 a.m.
- St. Elizabeth 9:30 a.m.
- St. Mary 10:30 a.m.
- St. Theresa 11:00 a.m.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday, June 02, 2025 Acts 19:1-8 Psalm 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab John 16:29-33

Tuesday, June 03, 2025 Acts 20:17-27 Psalm 68:10-11, 20-21 John 17:1-11a

Wednesday, June 04, 2025 Acts 20:28-38 Psalm 68:29-30, 33-35abc, 36ab John 17:11b-19

Thursday, June 05, 2025 Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Psalm 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 John 17:20-26

Friday, June 06, 2025 Acts 25:13b-21 Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab John 21:15-19

Saturday, June 07, 2025 Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Psalm 11:4-5, 7 John 21:20-25

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

ST. MARY, CENTRALIA SATURDAY FROM 3:15 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.

ST. MARY, MT. VERNON SATURDAY FROM 4:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M

ST. LAWRENCE, SANDOVAL SUNDAY FROM 8:00 A.M. - 8:15 A.M.

Breakfast with Knights

June 8, 2025 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.



St. Lawrence Parish Hall Sandoval, IL

Free Will Offering
All Profits from this breakfast will assist with
Knights of Columbus Charities.

Menu: Sausage, Eggs, Biscuits, Gravy, Pancakes, Fruit Cocktail, Coffee, Milk, and Juice



Sponsored by
St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus

Dine in or Carry out

Clergy Appointments

Reverend Steven M. Pautler, appointed Administrator of St. Mary Parish in Carlyle and St. Teresa of Avila Parish in Marydale, as well as St. Lawrence Parish in Sandoval. This appointment is in addition to Father Pautler's appointment as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Centralia. This appointment is effective July 1, 2025, and remains in effect for a period of two years.

We are expecting Father **Lourdhuraj Kodikala**, a priest from India, to arrive in the Diocese of Belleville in the near future. Fr. Lourdhuraj will be available to assist you with these parishes."

Reverend Monsignor David Darin, appointed Temporary Administrator of St. Mary Parish in Mt. Vernon. This appointment is effective July 1, 2025, and remains in effect for a period of two years.

Given, May 14, 2025, Diocese of Belleville, Reverend Godfrey Mullen, O.S.B., Diocesan Administrator.

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BIRTHDAY

06-01 Samantha Hall

06-16 Barb Spears

06-16 Carlton Wright

07-01 Margarite (Lammers) Rohner

07-08 Karlie Nattier

07-11Jennifer Cain

07-18 Joyce Pryor

07-20 Rachel Peters

07-22 Ricardo Alonso

07-25 Sarah (Rohner) Gebke

07-27 Tracy (Gillett) Minton

07-28 Loren Pepple II

07-28 Brent Toedte

ANNIVERSARY

06-08 Danny & Judy Fark

06-09 Tom & Judy Beyers

06-12 Eugene & Nancy Nalewajka

06-25 Carl & Mary Altadonna

07-08 Clayton & Jennifer Cain

07-10 Dennis & Alice Krupp 07-11 Kevin & Debbie Conrad

07-30 Tom & Theresa Ingles

SHALOM IS NEEDING HELP

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2025 2025SETTING UP FROM 9:30 AM - ?. DISTRIBUTE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025 FROM 7:00 AM - 9:30 AM FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT BRENDA SCHAUBERT

Those in nursing homes or assisted **<u>living are:</u>** Gerald & Phyllis Fanger.

Please pray for them, their families and their care-givers.



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REMEMBERING OUR LOVED JUNE

01-22 Mary (Nattier) Niepoetter

01-73 Adolfa Poli

01-95 JoAnn_Robinson

07-15 Ronald Barrow

07-24 Mary Darin

08-90 Violet Basola

08-21 Nancy (Nalewajka) Berry

08-89 Ralph Stein

09-24 Philip DeKalb

10-90 Willma Griffin

10-88 Bruna Telford

13-06 Linda Bunting

13-13 Ed Oldham

18-14 Stanley Hudzik

18-92 Alphonse Puluska

22-15 Rita Massa

23-01 Gloria Faye Bailey

23-93 Domineck DeBernardi

24-03 Mary Poli

24-89 Ralph Voss

25-96 Edward Miller

25-94 Ruth Spirk

27-96 James Rohner

28-96 Elizabeth (Just) Saale

30-91 Sherry Milano

30-12 Larry Piasse

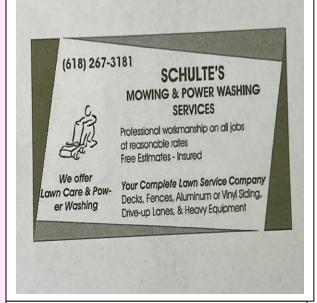
PRAYER REQUEST - CAN YOU PLEASE GO OVER THESE NAMES TO SEE IF ANY NEEEDS TO BE REMOVED PLEASE LET OFFICE KNOW

2 Special Cancer People, Chris Berry, Brianna Blakley, Earl Bosler, Shirley Brady, Clayton & Kay Cain, Craig Church, Heather Clark, Mindy Clark, Daisy Conrad, Traci Deadmond, Linda DeKalb, Jared Fogerson, Don Frazier, Sue Gambill, Debra (Small) Gerrish, Mary Gore, Ron & Barb Grasher, Debbie Grasher, Alexus Hall, Bill & Mary Hall, Mary Ann Hall, Tom Hall, Shay & Sara Hodge, Michelle Irvin, Wilma Jourdan, Bob Kannall, Cassy Karcher, Marlene Lackey, Judy Jenkins, Karleigh McClaren, Tracy Minton, John Mullen, Jerry Nitz, Earl Nolte, Jeff Orrell, Susan Parrish, Wayne Pepple, Rachel & Sandie Peters, Brenda Pinkston, Jerry Ratermann, Pat (Gerrish) Roestel, Kenny & Mary Saatkamp, Rachael Sager, Otto Schaffer, Kim Schulte, Fr. Carl Schrage, Shamus, Jack Shanafelt, Mickayla Skibinski, John Alan Small, Milya Smith, Zelma (Wurm) Smith, Patti & Jerome Stack, Brittany Starbreck, Evelyn Szatkowski, Janette Torrance, Jane Waddell, Waylon Vick, Ledger Whisenand, Ella Wiemerslager, Sara Wright.

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE

ORDINATION OF DEACON LEVI JAMES TO THE HOLY PRIESTHOOD OF JESUS CHRIST SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2025 - 10:00 A.M. Cathedral of St. Peter

> 200 W. Harrison St., Belleville, IL 62220





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