

# The Catholic Church of ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

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**W**elcome to The Catholic Church of St. Mary the Virgin. We are a parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter authorized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012 for Anglicans seeking to become Catholic. Ordinariate parishes are fully Catholic, while retaining elements of their Anglican heritage and embracing the roots of the Catholic faith's rich tradition through reverent liturgy and historical music. All Catholics are invited to participate in our Divine Worship liturgy and receive communion by kneeling (if able) at the altar rail and receiving our Lord on the tongue.

## **Sacrament of Marriage**

**P**lease contact the parish for details regarding the preparation program. Under Ordinariate policy, couples should contact a member of the parish clergy at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date.

## **Liturgical Ministers August 6, 2023**

<b>8:00 am</b>	Altar Server	Jon Carr
	Ushers	Kent Sawtelle/Miguel Uribe
<b>10:30 am</b>	Master of Ceremonies	John Williams
	Thurifer	Paul Vina
	Crucifer	Nathan Brinkley
	Torchbearers	Timothy Gagliano/C J Kelly
	Boat Boy	Rafael Gutierrez
	Ushers	Dave Kelly/Henry Strittmatter
<b>1:00 pm</b>	Altar Server	Vincent Lohla
	Ushers	Jeff Nelson/Sam Stauffer

## **Divine Worship Order of Holy Mass**

### **Transfiguration of the Lord**

**August 6, 2023**

### **Music of the Mass**

**Mass Setting: Missa Parochialis**

**Asperges Me**

**Please see separate hymn sheet**

Prelude.....*Agincourt Hymn* by John Dunstable (1370-1453)  
 Entrance Hymn.....*O Light of Light, Love Given Birth*  
 English Creed  
 Offertory Hymn.....*O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair!*  
 Mystery of Faith.....*O Savior of the World*  
 The Lord's Prayer  
 Communion Hymn.....*Fairest Lord Jesus*  
 Anthem.....*Transfiguration* by Joel Martinson  
 Closing Hymn.....*Christ is the World's True Light*  
 Postlude.....*Thine Is the Glory* by G.F. Handel (1746),  
 Arr. Gordon Young (1919-1998)

**Adult choir meets on Sundays at 9:15 a.m.  
No Youth choir this week**

## **Collect**

**O** God, who on the holy mount didst reveal to chosen witnesses thine Only Begotten Son wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may be permitted to behold the King in his beauty; who with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end.  
Amen.

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# Scripture of the Mass

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## First Reading

*Daniel 7:9-10,13-14*

As I looked, thrones were placed and one that was ancient of days took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and came forth from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

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## Gradual

Thou art fairer than the children of men:  
full of grace are thy lips.

V. My heart is inditing of a good matter;  
I speak of the things which I have made unto the King: my  
tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

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## Second Reading

*2Peter 1:16-19*

Beloved: We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word made more sure. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

## Alleluia

He is the brightness of the everlasting light:  
the unspotted mirror, and the image of his goodness.

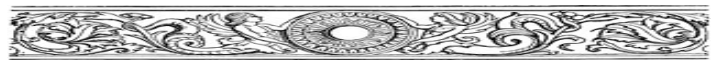
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## Alleluia

## The Holy Gospel

*Matthew 17:1b-9*

At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if you wish, I will make three booths here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking, when behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is raised from the dead."



## The Parish Offering

Weekly Offering Forecast.....	\$7,000.00
Sunday Offertory.....	\$6,250.00
Variance.....	(\$750.00)
Attendance:.....	439

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### **The Prayers of the People For Those in Special Need**

Fr. Stainbrook, our pastor; Fr Kennedy; Fr Allan; Mike; Kathy; Carol; Bob; Ronald; Marilyn; Christopher; Polly; Van; Kathi; Echo; Elva; Joanne; Mary; Hayley; Denise; Michael; Jose Luis; Tom; Bill; Carmen; Alton; Farley; Gary; Marianne; Sharon; Jameson; Ben; Bethany; Stephanie; Sandra; Jason; Kate; Tacy.

### **For Those Serving in the Armed Forces**

Kris; William; Brett; Brandon; Erich.

### **For First Responders**

Marcus.

### **For Those Expecting Children**

Julie & John; Hailey & Sam; Mercedes & Mathew; Shannon & Brian; Kristin & Jonny; Becca & Paul; Maddie & Peter; Chelsea & Ryan.

### **For the Faithful Departed On the Anniversary of Their Deaths**

*Sunday:* Collins Kwame Danso; *Tuesday:* Doris Mary Hawkins; Fr. Andy Gunn; *Wednesday:* Christine Lee; *Friday:* Dorothy Drevechy.

### **For Those Celebrating Birthdays**

*Sunday:* Eli Shults; Joseph Cantu; *Monday:* J. Walker Price; *Tuesday:* Dominic Collins; *Wednesday:* Will Vina; *Thursday:* Carol-Ivette Granados; Miriam Southard; Shui-Ying Shu; *Friday:* Benjamin Wooluns; Joseph Morris; *Saturday:* Abigail Crawford; Emily Porres; Juan Gonzalez

## **This Week at St. Mary the Virgin**

### **Sunday, August 6**

Low Mass at 8:00 a.m.

High Mass at 10:30 a.m.

Low Mass with hymns at 1:00 p.m.

### **Monday, August 7**

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

*(Mass Intention: Clifton L. Jones RIP)*

### **Tuesday, August 8**

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

*(Mass Intention: Edward & Eugenia wedding anniversary)*

### **Wednesday, August 9**

Confessions at 11:00 a.m.

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

*(Mass Intention: Lisa Irlbeck)*

### **Thursday, August 10**

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

*(Mass Intention: Pat Pelletier)*

### **Friday, August 11**

Mass at 12 p.m.

Adoration 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*(Mass Intention: Donor to the Catholic Gentlemen & their intentions)*

### **Saturday, August 12**

Morning Martyrs meet at 8:00 a.m.

Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Confessions at 10:00 a.m.

*(Mass Intention: Gianna Burda)*

### **Jim Devine Funeral Mass**

The funeral mass for the late parishioner Jim Devine will be tomorrow at 2:00 pm.

### **August Schedule for Altar Servers**

The August schedule for the Altar servers are available in the sacristy. Please pick a copy for your family. All altar servers are encouraged to check in at any mass you attend to ensure your services are not needed especially during this summer.

### **Assumption Mass Schedule**

The solemnity of the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother which falls on Tuesday August 15th is observed this year as a Holy Day of Obligation. SMV will have two masses that day, a low mass at noon and a solemn mass at 7:00 pm

### **Food Pantry—No Perishables!**

Canned or Boxed foods are accepted only. Catholic Charities does not have the ability to handle things that can spoil.

### **Mass Intentions for the Rest of this year**

Mass intentions for the remaining part of this year is fast filling up. If you need to book a mass intention for November and December, call the parish office as soon as possible before the spaces are filled up.

### **Parish Hall Upgrades Underway**

If you have been in the Parish Hall you have probably noticed the work going on. We are refreshing all four of the Parish Hall restrooms with new paint, flooring, lights, mirrors, and fixtures. While this will cause some interruptions, there will always be at least three of the restrooms functional at all times. This takes some juggling, so please bear with us as we make upgrades to our facilities.

### **A Sale on Flowers**

From now until the end of 2023, you can offer flowers for the altar for \$30, rather than the usual \$50. Sign up on the monthly sheet hanging on the bulletin board in the Narthex. It's a wonderful way to commemorate birthdays and anniversaries, or to remember special people. Reserve your spot today!

## Dear Friends in Christ:

If asked to list Marian feast days in August, most Catholics would respond with “The Assumption” which falls on August 15th, (and is the Patronal Festival for our Parish) That is probably because the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a **Holy Day of Obligation** for the Ordinariate in the United States, and so our attention is drawn to it because we are required to go to Mass that day.

The **whole month** of August, though, has been dedicated (since the 16th century) to the **Immaculate Heart of Mary**. The Immaculate Heart of Mary (Latin: *Cor Immaculatum Mariae*) is the devotional name used to refer to the Catholic view of the **interior life** of Mary, her joys and sorrows, her virtues, and hidden perfections, and, above all, her virginal love for God the Father, and her maternal love for her Son. These **less familiar** Marian feasts in August give us glimpses into the life of Mary, and her role as Mother of God and *Mediatrix* of graces. There are many ways one can commemorate Mary’s feasts this month — from attending Mass, to making a Holy Hour, to attending Adoration on Friday, or just saying an extra Rosary. One may even want to celebrate with a special dinner or dessert. The good people at **OUR SUNDAY VISITOR** have provided this helpful **synopsis** of the Feast Days of Our Lady this Month, and I am happy to include them here.

### Aug. 2 -Our Lady of the Angels

On this day we commemorate the dedication of the church of Portuincula (little portion of land), near Assisi, Italy. During St. Francis’ life, there stood at this place a small ancient church that dated back to the sixth century. St. Francis loved this church because it was there that he recognized his vocation. In 1211, St. Francis acquired the church from the Benedictines, repaired it and made it the first church of the Franciscan Order. Since wonderful angelic voices frequently were heard there, it was called Our Lady of the Angels. Five years later, St. Francis received the Portuincula Indulgence from Pope Honorius as a gift for the chapel’s dedication. On his deathbed, St. Francis placed the church into the special care of his fellow Franciscans, and in the 16th century, the little chapel was enshrined as the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels. In 1921, Pope Benedict XV gave the privilege of the indulgence to all visitors for one year, and later legislation granted the indulgence to all the faithful on Aug. 2 of each year (or on the following Sunday) with permission of the local bishop.

### Aug. 5 -Our Lady of the Snows

This day marks the Dedication of St. Mary Major Basilica in Rome, also known as Our Lady of the Snows. The memorial commemorates the dedication of the basilica originally erected on the Esquiline Hill in Rome by Pope Liberius in the fourth century. Some years later, Pope St. Sixtus III dedicated the church to Our Lady because the divine motherhood of Mary had just been proclaimed as an article of faith during the Council of Ephesus. The Basilica of St. Mary Major is the most significant Marian cathedral in the Western world.

### Aug. 13 -Our Lady, Refuge of Sinners

This feast dates to the time of St. Germanus of Constantinople in the eighth century. This title depicts Mary as the New Eve. Eve was the instrument for the fall of humans into original sin and their subsequent suffering. Mary, on the other hand, is the instrument for the salvation of humans and their healing by her agreement to become the mother of the Redeemer. Mary’s position as Jesus’ mother gives her special intercessory abilities, particularly in **interceding** for His mercy for sinners.

### Aug. 15 -The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

As far back as the fifth century, the Church in Jerusalem celebrated a feast of Mary on Aug. 15, which became known in the Eastern Church as “the day on which Holy Mary expired.” In the seventh century it was introduced to the Western Church as the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It’s one of the most ancient feasts of Mary and commemorates her death and her assumption, body, and soul, into Heaven. Although Mary’s death is not documented, Tradition holds that she died at age 72 in either Ephesus or Jerusalem. Pope Pius XII proclaimed the dogma of the assumption on Nov. 1, 1950. A legend says that the Apostles found flowers upon opening Mary’s tomb.

### Aug. 22 - Queenship of Mary

Pope Pius XII decreed and instituted the feast of the Queenship of Mary on Oct. 11, 1954, in his encyclical, *Ad Caeli Reginam* (“To the Queen of Heaven”). Originally, the feast was celebrated on May 31 and was reassigned to Aug. 22 in the revised Roman Calendar of 1969.

“Mary, too, as mother of the divine Christ, as his associate in the redemption, in his struggle with his enemies and his final victory over them, has a share, though in a limited and analogous way, in his royal dignity. For from her union with Christ she attains a radiant eminence transcending that of any other creature; from her union with Christ, she receives the royal right to dispose of the treasures of the Divine Redeemer’s Kingdom; from her union with Christ finally is derived the inexhaustible efficacy of her maternal intercession before the Son and His Father,” Pope Pius XII wrote (*Ad Coeli Reginam*, No. 39).

Whether we celebrate these Marian feast days this month in a big way or a small one; taking time to reflect on their history and meaning can help all of us to better understand Mary’s vital role in our salvation. Spending time with her, the beloved Patroness of our Parish, in private reflection or formal prayer, can increase our love for her and obtain for us graces for our **own** sanctification.

Faithfully, Your Friend and Vicar  
Christopher C. Stainbrook

## Prayer for Vocations

**Priest:** Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. / Let us ask God to give worthy priests, brothers and sisters to His Holy Church.

**All:** O God, / we earnestly beseech Thee / to bless this Ordinariate / with many priests, / brothers / and sisters, / who will love Thee with their whole strength / and gladly spend their entire lives / to serve Thy Church / and to make Thee known and loved.

**Priest:** Bless our families. / Bless our children.

**All:** Choose from our homes / those who are needed for Thy work.

**Priest:** Mary Queen of the Clergy!

## Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

(For the Greater Glory)

**Flowers:** Valerie & Mark Murphree in memory of Christopher Hooper

**Sanctuary Light:** Valerie & Mark Murphree in memory of C. Hooper

**Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady:** Valerie & Mark Murphree in loving memory of Christopher Hooper

**Lamp at the Shrine of St. Joseph:** Valerie & Mark Murphree in loving memory of Christopher Hooper

**Lamp at St. Therese:** Valerie & Mark Murphree for Stan & Collen’s anniversary

**Lamp at Blessed Karl:** Valerie & Mark Murphree for Stan & Collen’s anniversary

**Lamp at St. Thomas More:** Valerie & Mark Murphree in loving memory of Christopher Hooper

**Lamp at St. John Fisher:** Valerie & Mark Murphree in loving memory of Christopher Hooper.

**Lamp at the Altar of Relics:** Valerie/Mark Murphree in Loving memory of Christopher Hooper