

# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

200 Front Street, Pierce City, MO 65723

September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 - Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## **St. Mary's Catholic Church**

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## **SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 12 – SEPTEMBER 20**

### **ST. MARY'S**

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Dale Parrigon
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Dan Boman
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Wednesday	8:15 a.m.	+Mary Gable
Friday	8:15 a.m.	St. Mary's Parish Family
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+James Cahalan
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Rose Anna Abramovitz

### **ST. AGNES**

Tues.	8:30 a.m.
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.
Sun.	10:30 a.m.

### **EVENTS OF THE WEEK:**

Monday, September 14

Wednesday, September 16

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Monday, September 21

Wednesday, September 23

Friday, September 25

Saturday, September 26

**Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

**PSR/CCD Classes at 6:30 p.m.**

**Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist**

**No Mass**

**PSR/CCD Classes at 6:30 p.m.**

**8:15 a.m. Mass**

**Grounds clean-up day!!** We will start at 8:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to come and help! The more people we have the quicker it will go. Bring your racks, trimmers ect.

### **OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in September:**

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00

Last Week's Collection: \$ 5732.00

Mission Co-Op: \$362.00

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY GO TO THE FAMILY OF MARIA (PARRIGON) LOGAN**, May she be living with God and may her family feel her peace.

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** Charlotte Sloan, Louise Bellm and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

**ST. MARY'S PICNIC DINNER:** We will be having a dinner on Saturday, November 7, 2020 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. It will be Fried Chicken or Roast Beef Dinner with all the fixings! Advanced Tickets Sales: \$10 Adults \$5 ages 6-12 5 under Free. Door Ticket Sales: \$12 Adults \$7 ages 6-12 5 under Free. **TO GO DINNERS AVAILABLE!!!** To purchase tickets call the church rectory 476-2827 or come by the church or school offices. We will also be holding the Church Raffle at the dinner, so if you have not turned in your raffle tickets yet you can mail them to the church office or put them in the weekend collection in an envelope marked raffle tickets.

**BIRTHDAY REMEMBERENCE:** Father Peter's birthday is September 23. If anyone would like to send him a card his address is:

Father Peter Morciniec 1100 E. Montclair Room #327 Springfield, Mo 65807

**READERS:** 9/19 Garrett Schmidt, Beverly Miller 9/26 Madeline Ceselski, Garrett Schmidt

9/20 Rachelle Brown, Jennifer Eaton 9/27 Joe Crowell, Denise Crowell

**USHERS:** 9/19 Larry Carver, Leonard Fenske 9/26 Larry Gasser, Doug Witt

9/20 Dale Jasumback, Ellis Motley 9/27 Levi Cooper, Jesse Cooper

**(Ushers will only be greeting people. They will not be taking up the collection)**

### **NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:**

Three weeks down, it seems like things are flying by. We have had a great three weeks over at the school. Teachers are teaching like their hair is on fire. Students are settled in and learning away. It is great!

The school will be selling mums and pumpkins this year. Order forms for the mums can be picked up from the back of the Church or from the school office. The order forms are due back to the school office by Thursday, September 24th. Pumpkins will be available first come first serve when you pick up your mums on September 29th.

We are working on putting together the St. Mary's Trade Show for Saturday, November 7th and Sunday, November 8th. This will be a big show that consists of a Crafters Market, Direct Sales, Business Promo Exhibits, and Farm Supply Vendors. There will be something for everyone. If you would like more information, contact Jason Kramer at 417-476-2824 or [jason.kramer@stmarys-piercecity.org](mailto:jason.kramer@stmarys-piercecity.org).

**ST. MARY'S HOME & SCHOOL SCRIP PROGRAM:** [Shopwithscrip.com](http://Shopwithscrip.com) Scrip is simply a word that means "substitute money"-in other words, scrip is gift certificates from national and local retailers. They're the same gift certificates that you buy at the store. Many popular retailers participate in our scrip program. The way that we make our money off of the program is by these retailers offering the cards through Scrip at a discount. This means that when you pay face value for the card, i.e. \$25 will get you a \$25 gift card Scrip will charge is a reduced amount to buy that card. The reduced amount varies widely depending on the participating retailer. On line you can see the % we earn on each retailer's card, but you can also contact me at anytime if you have any questions. Using the Scrip program is simple and easy, it just requires planning ahead before you will be visiting your favorite stores and restaurants. The reason for planning ahead is because we may not place a order every week. If you would like your orders to be sent home with your child from school or left at school to be picked up, please note that on your enrollment form (in the back of church). We also have Wal-mart, Casey's , Town & Country, Academy, Visa, Discover, Lowe's, Kohl's, Acambaro, Starbucks, Subway and Dairy Queen cards available for purchase anytime in the school office. **You don't have to be a school family to participate in this great program.** This helps the school, so please enroll and enjoy the ease of paying for things with your scrip cards!!

½ of the money raised each year in the Scrip program goes to Home & School. Each family has control over the other ½ of the money their rebates earned. They can choose for that money to go to one of the following 3 places.

1. The Next School Year Tuition for student (Preschool-8)
2. The Next School Year Operating Costs of the School
3. Home & School

If you are a new family to begin participating in the Scrip program an enrollment form is required. If you are already enrolled please fill free to place your orders at anytime. *Enrollment Packets in the Back of Church*  
I look forward to a great year with everyone's help!

Shelly Wroblewski

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### St. Mary's Parish Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Members present were: Father Matt, Joe Crowell, Judy Flehmer, Mike Kaiser, Bonnie Parrigon, Jim Randall, and Cody Washam. The meeting was called to order by Cody Washam.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Father Matt.

The minutes from the last meeting were read by Secretary Bonnie Parrigon and approved by the Council.

The Financial Report was given by Joe Crowell. He reported the end of the year fiscal report had a balanced budget all the way around. The PPP money of \$62, 500 for the church, school, and the cafeteria was a great help. Without it we would have been about \$60,000 under what we are. Hopefully this PPP money will be forgiven.

Father Matt's Report: Father mentioned our mission is rebuilding, restoration, and improving following the shut-down. This has challenges as things are slowly opening. We've got to see ourselves called to a greater presence.

#### Old Business

- The right equipment to repair the chimney on the church has not been found yet.
- Cody will look at the walls going up to the choir to see what we truly need.
- The parking lot work has been completed. Several parishioners helped. Thank you.
- The security in the church was discussed. A meeting with the ushers is still being planned. Mike Kaiser reported that Bonnie Witt-Schulte will be discussing with him about storm procedures.
- Father Matt asked that everyone extend their time on Parish Council for one more year. We will wait until next spring to discuss this.
- The tuck pointing on the church was discussed. Father Matt has contacted a company in Iowa. He mentioned part of the job would involve fixing the chimney. No decision has been made on hiring this company. He also contacted Dr. Gene Aug, who gave Father the name of a company. He is waiting for them to call him back.

#### New Business

- School starts Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>. Substitutes are needed.
- With all that has gone on with Covid, etc. it is important for all of us to volunteer and ask other parishioners to help with things around the church.
- A dinner fundraiser is being planned for Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020. A raffle will also be held. Dinner tickets are available to purchase ahead of time. Father's hope is that having this will get people together.
- We are hoping to get church assignments for readers and ushers back to normal soon.
- We need to make sure we use social media to portray Father Matt's message to parishioners since there is still fear and church attendance is down.
- The next meeting was set for September 9, 2020.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Submitted by Bonnie Parrigon

# HAPPY GRANDPARENT'S DAY!

## 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sirach 27:30-28:9  
Ps 103:1-4, 9-12  
Romans 14:7-9  
Matthew 18:21-35

**Monday September 14**  
**Exaltation of Holy Cross**  
Numbers 21:4b-9  
Ps 78:1bc-2,34-38  
Philippians 2:6-11  
John 3:13-17

**Tuesday September 15**  
**Our Lady of Sorrows**  
1 Corinth 12:12-14,27-31a  
Ps 100:1b-5  
John 19:25-27  
or Luke 2:33-35

**Wednesday September 16**  
**Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian**  
1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13  
Ps 33:2-5,12,22  
Luke 7:31-35

**Thursday September 17**  
1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
Ps 118:1b-2,16ab-17,28  
Luke 7:36-50

**Friday September 18**  
1 Corinthians 15:12-20  
Ps 17:1,6-7,8b,15  
Luke 8:1-3

**Saturday September 19**  
1 Corinth 15:35-37,42-49  
Ps 56:10c-14  
Luke 8:4-15

Jesus' message in this Sunday's Gospel reading explains a line from the "Our Father" prayer he had taught earlier (Matthew 6:12): "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us."

The strongest word here is "AS" – the same as, just like, in equal measure.

If there is anyone we have not forgiven, if there is anyone we cannot pray for with love, we'd better keep our mouths shut during this part of the prayer to our Father, who is the Father of all.

Sometimes, it's difficult to forgive because we think "forgiving" means "forgetting". Jesus never said that we must forget what the debtor owes. Forgiveness means remembering – and learning from the memory – without demanding repayment or retribution.

Unforgiveness is a form of punishment: it's payback time. For example, if we remain angry, we hope that our anger or coldness will somehow punish the sinner into re-

pentance. Well, guess what. That never works.

Here's something else we do that never works: holding a grudge to protect ourselves from getting hurt again. Grudges do not free us from the pain of bad memories. It chains us to them.



When we free others from the debts they owe us for hurting us (whether they seek it or not, whether they're still alive or not), we free ourselves and our healing begins – *our* healing!

It's the most loving gift that we can give to ourselves, as it's a gift of love to others. Even when they don't recognize our gift, God does.

### Reflect & Discuss:

1. Who angers you because they don't deserve your forgiveness?
2. What are you gaining from unforgiveness and resentment? What will you lose if you forgive?
3. What is the most difficult part of forgiveness?
4. What steps do you take for pushing yourself into truly letting go of unforgiveness so you can find healing? Sharing this with others will spread good ideas that could change someone's life!

# ST. MARY'S PICNIC DINNER!!

Saturday, November 7, 2020 5:00 p.m. to 7:00p.m.

Chicken or Beef Dinner with all the fixings! Please come and join us for a wonderful dinner and an evening of fun! We will also be holding a raffle at the dinner.

Advanced Tickets Sales: \$10 Adult \$5 ages 6-12 5 under Free

Door Ticket Sales: \$12 Adult \$7 ages 6-12 5 under Free

**TO GO DINNERS AVAILABLE!!!!**

For Advanced Tickets call St. Mary's Rectory at 476-2827

