

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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November 21, 2021 - Solemnity of Christ King

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR NOVEMBER 20 – NOVEMBER 28

ST. MARY'S

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Maury McDunner
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Lewis & Catherine Witt
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Wednesday	8:15 a.m.	Special Intentions R.S.D.
Thursday	10:30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving for All God's Blessings
Friday	8:15 a.m.	Justice & Peace
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Gene & Rose Marie Gasser, Jeannie McInnis, Jerry Gasser
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary's Parish Family

ST. AGNES

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

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday, November 21

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Second Collection: Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri

Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyr

NO PSR/CCD Classes

Happy Thanksgiving!

First Sunday of Advent

Advent Penance Service in Pulaskifield from 3-4 p.m.

Monday, November 22

Wednesday, November 24

Thursday, November 25

Sunday, November 28

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, November 29

Tuesday, November 30

Wednesday, December 1

8:15 a.m. Rosary and Communion Service

Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle

8:15 a.m. Mass

PSR/CCD Classes 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

7:30 p.m. Mass

Knights of Columbus Meeting at 8:00 p.m. in the C.R.

Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

8:15 a.m. Mass

Advent Penance Service in Aurora from 4-6 p.m.

Friday, December 3

Sunday, December 5

OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in December:

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00

Last Week's Collection: \$ 4468.00

TUCKPOINTING PROJECT: To date our parish has \$26,438.00 toward our \$65,000.00 goal. Thank you! If you have not yet made your pledge, please add your gift, whatever the amount, in unity with those who have already given by mailing or putting your pledge in the collection marked tuckpointing. We are still short \$ 38,562.00 of meeting our goal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS Kimberly Velten, Louise Bellm, Ester Miller, Charlotte Sloan, Andrea Kristek, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

FR. MATT'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Please join us in a Pot-luck dinner celebrating Father Matt's birthday on Saturday, December 4, 2021 following 4:00 Mass. It will be held in the cafeteria. Drinks and paper products will be provided. If your last name begins with A-F, please bring a vegetable, G-L please bring a salad, M-R please bring a dessert, and S-Z bring a bread. Every family will provide a meat dish. We hope to see you there.

2022 CALENDARS are in the back of church.

THE PCCW LADIES are selling pecans during the month of November and part of December. We will sell after both weekend Masses. You may also contact an officer to purchase them. The price is \$12.00 a bag. We appreciate your support. Contact Bonnie Parrigon at 417-489-3866, Patty Osterloh at 417-540-4182 and Beverly Phillips at 417-737-0774. Thank you.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WITH BENEDICTION: Christ's Presence in the Blessed Sacrament is a great gift to us. His real presence in the manner of a substance is a mystery central to our faith. The Church provides us with a very special way of spending time in his presence through Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. As a Parish, we need to find one Friday a month to set aside time for this grace filled devotion. It requires at least from Noon to 7:00 P.M. Benediction, blessing of those assembled with the Blessed Sacrament, closes out Exposition. During the hours of Exposition, at least two people must be in the church. This does NOT mean that ONLY two can be in Church. During the full time of Adoration, all are welcome and encouraged to come and spend time. This would require people signing up for time slots, as well as having a list of those who are willing to be "on call" should the person who signed up for the time gets sick, or cannot otherwise be available. For this to get well established there must be a willingness to commit to signing up for six months. We need to know which Friday of the month will work best for everyone. We need to get a good sense of this by the end of Advent. Please let Fr. Matt know your thoughts on this question. The plan is to get sign ups in progress, so that we can begin in Lent (March 2022). Thank you.

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

All of us at St. Mary's School would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

St. Mary's School will be selling Christmas cinnamon rolls: The school is taking preorders for cinnamon rolls. Orders will be due back to the school office by Friday, December 10th, 2021. They are selling half dozen (6) for \$8 per pan. Order forms are in the back of church. You may also put your order forms in the collection basket.

Scrip Program - Don't forget about the Scrip Cards! When you are shopping you are spending money already. Please consider buying a Scrip Card before you go. By doing this you are able to raise a little money for H&S and a little for where you would like it to go (the school, or a student's tuition). If you have any questions please contact the office and ask.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: St. Mary's H&S with the generosity of Knights of Columbus invite you to join us for Breakfast with Santa following 8:30 Mass, Sunday, Dec. 5th in the school gym. You will be able to enjoy breakfast, take photos with Santa, do some Christmas crafts and shop the Scholastic bookfair! The bookfair is the primary revenue for our school's library so take advantage of easy Christmas shopping. We look forward to celebrating with you!

APPOINTMENTS

If you are unable to make your appointment, please find a replacement

Saturday, November 27 4:00 p.m. Mass

Readers: Madeline Ceselski, Beverly Miller

Ushers: Tom Cahalan, Tommy Cahalan

Sunday, November 28 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: Joe & Denise Crowell

Ushers: Ian Brottlund, Jim Conley