

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

200 Front Street, Pierce City, MO 65723

April 24, 2022 - Divine Mercy Sunday

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR APRIL 23 - MAY 1

ST. MARY'S

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| Saturday | 4:00 p.m. | +Betty Rakoski |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | For 1 st Communion Candidates |
| Monday | 8:15 a.m. | Rosary & Communion Service |
| Wednesday | 8:15 a.m. | Justice and Peace |
| Friday | 8:15 a.m. | +Mary Ann Krause |
| Saturday | 4:00 p.m. | +Rosie O'Hara |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | St. Mary's Parish Family |

ST. AGNES

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

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday, April 24

1st Communion A reception will follow after Mass

Special Collection: Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist

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

Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

All School Mass

Breakfast after Mass Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Donations welcome

St. Mary's School Art Show after Mass everyone is welcome to come.

DDF Campaign

Monday, April 25

Wednesday, April 27

Friday, April 29

Sunday, May 1

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, May 2

Memorial of Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:15 a.m. Rosary and Communion Service

Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles

8:15 a.m. Mass

PSR 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.

8:15 a.m. Mass

Fr. Matt will celebrate his 30th Anniversary of Ordination

Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 3

Wednesday, May 4

Friday, May 6

Sunday, May 8

OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in May: Joe & Denise Crowell

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00

Last Week's Collection: \$ 3328.00

The Mirror: We are still short \$1,712.00 to pay for our Mirror bill. At this time we have only collected \$ 948.00. We ask that everyone please pay your \$14 for The Mirror, so that the church does not have to pick up that expense. Thank you

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS Tom Cartmell, Tom Knott, Louise Bellm, Charlotte Sloan, Andrea Kristek, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY GO TO THE FAMILY OF MARY RYDER. May she be living with God and may her family feel her peace.

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY GO TO PAULINE WHITMAN AND HER FAMILY ON THE DEATH OF HER SISTER ROSIE O'HARA. May she be living with God and may her family feel her peace.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following children who made their 1st Communion on Sunday, April 24 at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.
Lexie Blackburn Abram Boman Averi Caddell Reece Cahalan Ellie Chapman Elsie Chorum Lucy Elbert McKinley Ellis
Blythe Garner Drake Gibbs Selma Graves Abel Jones Charles Jones Hudson Kramer Della Saffer John Randall.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT MAY 6, 2022

Please remember that each first Friday of the month, we have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We begin at 1:00 p.m. and end at 7:00 p.m. with Benediction. If you signed up for adoration time, but cannot be here, please make certain that you have someone substitute for you. Remember that you do not have to sign up to spend time in adoration. All are encouraged to be here throughout the day and for Benediction at 7:00 p.m.

ROSARY: The Rosary is said **Tuesday-Thursday** every day at **9:30 a.m.** Everyone is welcome to come. Also if you are within 1 mile of the church you can listen to it on the radio station 88.1FM.

DDF: The Annual Diocesan Development Fund appeal will be held on April 30 and May 1. This effort is conducted in every parish of the diocese to help finance the activities and ministries of the Catholic Church in Southern Missouri. Our parish goal is \$ 21,950.00. We ask you to keep the DDF campaign in your prayers.

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

I hope you had a great Easter! This Sunday the church will have several new children taking their First Communion. Congratulations to these kids. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their faith journey.

Kindergarten went to Roaring River and explored on Tuesday. They had a great time. This week the PS & PK, 3rd-4th grade, 5th-6th grade classes will be taking trips.

Flower orders are still being collected until Wednesday the 27th. I am going to try to have some available for pickup on Friday. The rest will be available to be picked up on Sunday, May 1st after Mass. Come on over to the gym to visit the book fair, look through the Art Show, have breakfast by the Knights, and pick out some hanging flower baskets.

PICNIC RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR PICK UP THIS WEEKEND AND NEXT

(April 16/17 and April 23/24).

All tickets not picked up by April 24th will be mailed. (St. Mary's school families will receive in their weekly folder.) Please help us save on cost by picking up the tickets.

Sold tickets with money can be returned in the church collection basket. They can also be dropped off or mailed to the rectory. If other arrangements are needed, call Mellanie 417-737-2812.

If you need more, please contact the rectory or Mellanie.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL "ANGELS AMONG US."

Dear Friends,

As we look toward the end of this school year, it is time for our special annual fundraiser called "Angels Among Us." We truly believe that St. Mary's School has *many angels* that are here for us in so many ways! Last year we had an amazing response! Because of everyone's generosity with this fundraiser, we raised over \$25,000 dollars!

For everyone who donates \$10 or more, their names will be posted on angels and placed in the gym. For those who donate \$400 or more, they will also get their names engraved on a metal "leaf" and placed on our Giving/Endowment tree in the school's hallway. Donations may be made in the memory of a loved one. Please make a note telling us whose name you want on the angel and/or leaf. The fundraiser ends on May 13. The profits from this fundraiser will go directly to help the school. If you would like to make a donation to St. Mary's School, you may contact the office or mail it to the school at the following address. If it is not possible to give at this time, then we ask that you please remember us in your prayers. If you know of any alumni who do not live locally and do not get our newsletter, but would like to, please contact the office. Thank you and may God bless you!

Attn: Angels
202 Front Street
Pierce City, MO 65723

Your friends in Christ,
Jason Kramer (Principal)
Sally Heidlage (Chairperson)

APPOINTMENTS

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

Saturday, April 30 4:00 p.m. Mass

Readers: Beverly Miller, Madeline Ceselski

Ushers: Larry Carver, Leonard Fenske

Sunday, May 1 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: St. Mary's School Children

Ushers: St. Mary's School Children

"ANGELS AMONG US" NEWSLETTER APRIL 21, 2022

SCHOOL UPDATE

It's hard to believe that this school year is coming to a close. Even with all of the snow days and still dealing with the pandemic, it has been a fantastic year! All of the families were still given the option of in-person or virtual learning. Almost all of the families chose the in-person learning option. It was great to have the students back in the classroom full time!

We are now able to reinstate many of our special events and activities. The middle and upper grades have been involved in several contests. These include spelling, history, religion, math, science, and geography bees. They will also take place in our Writer's Guild which involves other schools in our Diocese. Everyone is excited that we will be taking field trips again this spring. The preschool and prekindergarten will attend the Missouri Institute of Natural Science. Our kindergarten went to Roaring River. First and second grades will be attending the Country Roads Family Fun Farm. Third and fourth graders are excited about going to the Wonders of Wildlife. The fifth through eighth graders will visit the Dickerson Park Zoo for Star Wars Day.

This year some after school programs have been implemented. These include Art Club, Book Club, and Choir for Mass.

Along with learning ABC's and 123's, the preschool and pre-kindergarten have been busy doing a free community library station, a coat drive, collecting can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House, and collecting tabs for Danielle Cares (free wheelchairs for children).

The kindergarten class has been a full year of growth. At this time the students are beginning to read stories and write sentences. There are days that the class will walk across the bridge for recess and play ball. This is a fun time for the students to

work together as a team and practice playing the way God wants us to do. One day they decided to work together to clean up a center more quickly. It worked. The teacher was sure to praise the class for working together! There are days that they have class outside.

Our first and second graders have been focusing hard on reading and math skills. Along with this, they have completed some special projects this year. A couple of their favorite activities were to learn about dinosaurs and make a model of their favorite one. They also had the opportunity to design and make their own musical instruments while learning about sound.

The third and fourth grade students have researched and created models of habitats, planets, animals, and organ systems. They also enjoy several novel studies, including: *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C. S. Lewis, *Charlotte's Web* by E. B. White, and *Stone Fox* by John Reynolds Gardiner.

The fifth and sixth graders have been focusing on improving their vocabulary. Each morning they have enjoyed learning Latin roots and recognizing those roots in words they use by using their vocabulary words when writing essays or reports. Most recently they have explored careers and created posters telling about those careers using their vocabulary words. While preparing for Confirmation, the students have become more aware of faith in actions and the presence of God in all aspects of their lives.

Also, very busy this year are our seventh and eighth graders. They have been honing their writing skills. This includes writing several different essay types: compare/contrast, informational, persuasive, and narrative pieces. They also had Confirmation on March 19th. During Lent, they performed in a Live Stations Play for the school.

OUR STAFF

St. Mary's Priest-Father Matt Rehauer

Principal-Jason Kramer

Secretary-Gina Debes

Preschool & Pre-Kindergarten-Lanetta Gripka

Kindergarten-Teresa Hopper

1st & 2nd Grades-Sally Heidlage

3rd & 4th Grades-Sierrah Summers

5th & 6th Grades-Judy Younker

7th & 8th Grades-Susan Salsman

OUR STAFF

Athletic Director-Jason Kramer

Classroom Aides-Bonnie Parrigon, Jerri Jasumback,

Loretta Graskemper, & Leonard Bauer

Computers-Julie Witt

Library-Jodi Schiup

P. E.-Patty Armstrong

Music-Rhoda Elbert

Art-Glo Abramovitz

Cook-Lanae Haase

Janitor-William Holland

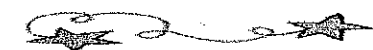
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