

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020**

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**SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR JUNE 20<sup>th</sup> – JUNE 28<sup>th</sup>**

**ST. MARY'S**

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+James Cahalan
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	For Father's of the Parish
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Wednesday	No Mass	
Friday	No Mass	
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+The Krakowski Family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+RoseAnna Abramovitz

**ST. AGNES**

Tues. No Mass  
Thurs. No Mass  
Sun. 10:30 a.m.

**EVENTS OF THE WEEK:**

Wednesday, June 24                      **Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist**

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Monday, June 29	<b>Solemnity of Peter and Paul, Apostles</b>
Wednesday, July 1	<b>Knights of Columbus Meeting at 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria</b>
Friday, July 3	<b>Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle</b>

**OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in June:**

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00                      Last Week's Collection: \$ 2998.00

**DDF REPORT:** Thank you for your generosity to the Diocesan Development Campaign. The goal for our parish is \$22,882.00, so far we have pledged \$12,090.00, paid \$6,265.00, promised \$5,825.00.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**WITH FR. MATT BEING GONE** if there is an emergency or you can't get a hold of anyone at the rectory you should call Shelly Wroblewski at 417-737-1403.

**THE GYM WILL BE CLOSED** starting June 22<sup>nd</sup> to strip and wax the floor. It will reopen on July 20<sup>th</sup>.

**PICNIC PLANNING IS UNDERWAY.** Due to COVID-19, we have pushed the date to Sunday, August 30th this year.

If you haven't already and planned to donate towards the raffle prizes, you still have time!

You can contact the rectory, Mellanie Carder or Frances Boman. We can pick up, you can send or drop off at church.

We are considering to have silent auction items - to take up a smaller space and raise funds. If you would like to donate items for the silent auction, that would be great. You may contact Mellanie Carder or Frances Boman. Donations can also be dropped off at the rectory....just be sure to clearly mark "silent auction item" on it. Mellanie Carder 417-737-2813 Frances Boman 417-693-0174.

**PRAYER**

In families striving to stay intact through adversity. Let us see Christ.

In the poor and lowly of the world. Let us see Christ.

In those forced to leave their homes because of war or famine. Let us see Christ

In children who go to bed hungry and who cannot attend school. Let us see Christ.

In those who are living with HIV/AIDS and other diseases. Let us see Christ.

In immigrants and refugees seeking freedom and hope. Let us see Christ.

In those who are orphaned or abandoned. Let us see Christ.

In the elderly who are forgotten. Let us see Christ.

In those who struggle to find meaningful work. Let us see Christ.

In those who work for justice and peace for all people. Let us see Christ.

Let us pray. Jesus, teach us to recognize your presence in those who are in need. May we give of ourselves in service to them and so hasten the coming of the Kingdom you have promised, where you live with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!**

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

Jeremiah 20:10-13  
Ps 69:8-10,14,17,33-35  
Romans 5:12-15  
Matthew 10:26-33

**Monday June 22**  
2 Kings 17:5-8,13-15a,18  
Ps 60:3, 4-5,12-13  
Matthew 7:1-5

**Tuesday June 23**  
2 Kings 19:9b-11,  
14-21,31-35a,36  
Ps 48:2-4,10-11  
Matthew 7:6,12-14

**Wednesday June 24**  
**Birth of John the Baptist**  
Isaiah 49:1-6  
Ps 139:1b-3,13-15  
Acts 13:22-26  
Luke 1:57-66,80

**Thursday June 25**  
2 Kings 24:8-17  
Ps 79:1b-5,8,9  
Matthew 7:21-29

**Friday June 26**  
2 Kings 25:1-12  
Ps 137:1-6  
Matthew 8:1-4

**Saturday June 27**  
Lam 2:2,10-14,18-19  
Ps 74:1b-7,20-21  
Matthew 8:5-17

Think of a time when you were in darkness: a sin, for example, or when you felt abandoned by God or your prayers seemed dry and your spiritual gifts seemed covered over. What did Jesus say to you at that time (perhaps through scripture or friends or a homily at Mass)? What did his whisperings tell you? His words and his guidance were good news for you!

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus says: "What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light."

He's calling you and commissioning you and empowering you, through his Holy Spirit, to share your good news with others, so that they can hear him in *their* darkness. Proclaim it boldly and visibly so that those who want to hear it will stop and listen. Do not be afraid to openly share how Jesus has been working in your life and how he's helped you grow or heal or turn away from sin.

Yes, when we're this bold, some people ridicule us and reject us, like how Jeremiah was treated in the first reading. But the Lord is with you, too, as "a mighty champion," and your persecutors will eventually stumble and fail. Jesus tells us to "fear no one." God takes good care of us.

Jesus acknowledges those who acknowledge him. In other words, when we're insulted or persecuted for our faith, God holds us and comforts us. It's *his* opinion of



us that matters anyway, and no one else's. Listen to him. In the whispers of the sanctuary of your heart, he's telling you all the good that he sees in you. He's telling you that he appreciates the good you have done. He's giving you good news worth sharing.

### Reflect & Discuss:

1. What is your testimony? What did Jesus teach you when you were in sin or handling a recent difficulty? Write it down; this exercise will help you feel more confident when you try to share your story with others.
2. Practice sharing the testimony you realized during the above personal reflection: Proclaim it first to your community of friends who understand.
3. As you listen to the testimonies of others, encourage them: Tell them how their story helps you.
4. Make a commitment to go forth and spread the good news. What does this commitment look like? What will you do first to fulfill your commitment?