

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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February 7, 2021 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR FEBRUARY 6 – FEBRUARY 14**

**ST. MARY'S**

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Maury McDunner
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Francis & Mildred Witt
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Wednesday	8:15 a.m.	+Frank Gripka Birthday Remembrance
	6:30 p.m.	St. Mary's Parish Family
Friday	8:15 a.m.	+Frances Rehrauer
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Philip Koehler
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, February 7

The Mirror subscription is due. The diocese wishes that all families receive The Mirror-please help defray costs by paying the \$14 toward your subscription. Checks should be made out to St. Mary's Church.

Monday, February 8

Rosary & Communion Service 8:15 a.m.

Wednesday, February 10

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

Thursday, February 11

St. Mary's Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the C.R.

World Day of the Sick

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Monday, February 15

Rosary & Communion Service 8:15 a.m.

Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday – Day of Abstinence (No Meat) and a Day of Fasting (No eating in between meals) Mass Schedule: St. Mary's 8:15 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. St. Agnes 10:30 a.m.

Due to Covid-19 the Ashes will be sprinkled over the head instead of putting them on the forehead.

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

Friday, February 19

8:15 a.m. Mass

Fish Fry – 5-7 p.m. Adults \$8 Kids \$3 (ages 6-12) 5 & under Free. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus – Day of Abstinence (No Meat)

**OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in February: Tom & Sharon Swift**

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00

Last Week's Collection: \$ 3925.20

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** Theresa Heidlage, Fr. Peter J. Morciniec, Jerry Gasser, Charlotte Sloan, Louise Bellm and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

**OVER 65 DINNER**- The over 65 dinner will be held on March 28, 2021. Due to Covid-19 and social distancing, the dinner will be PICK UP ONLY. You must sign up to receive a dinner. You may sign up through the church at 476-2827. If no answer, please leave a message. You may also sign up via email at [st\\_marys@live.com](mailto:st_marys@live.com). The deadline for signing up is March 19, 2021. The dinners may be picked up at the cafeteria door between 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. on March 28, 2021.

**HELP WANTED:** We are looking for someone to clean the gym and cafeteria after rentals. The pay is \$200.00 each event. If you are interested please contact Shelly Wroblewski at (417) 476-2827 or by email at [st\\_marys@live.com](mailto:st_marys@live.com)

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

We had a great Catholic Schools Week! It is always fun to celebrate our school. During this time I usually end up reflecting back on some of the many great accomplishments of our little school and of our amazing families. As always, I just want to say thank you to the St. Mary's Parish. Without your support we would not be able to accomplish so many great things.

Exciting news! We will begin the registration period for our 2021-2022 Preschool and Pre-K programs. We will have some registration forms in the back of the church. Please take one if you have a youngster ready for a good 3 year old or 4 year old program.

## FEBRUARY APPOINTMENTS

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

### Saturday, Feb. 13 4:00 p.m. Mass

Readers: Madeline Ceselski, Beverly Miller  
Ushers: Michael Abramovitz, Larry Carver

### Saturday, Feb. 20 4:00 p.m. Mass

Readers: Beverly Miller, Madeline Ceselski  
Ushers: Tom Cahalan, Tommy Cahalan

### Saturday, Feb. 27 4:00 p.m. Mass

Readers: Madeline Ceselski, Beverly Miller  
Ushers: Bryan Stellwagen, Bill Seufert

### Sunday, Feb. 14 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: Rachele Brown, Jennifer Eaton  
Ushers: Levi Cooper, Dale Jasumback

### Sunday, Feb. 21 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: Joe Crowell, Denise Crowell  
Ushers: Darren Brown, Dustin Avondet

### Sunday, Feb. 28 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: Cody Washam, Heather Gripka  
Ushers: Dereck Washam, Rick Washam

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT ANNOUNCEMENT:** Any suspected or known abuse of a minor must first be immediately reported to the Missouri Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline at 800-392-3738, and suspected or known abuse of adults to the Missouri Adult Abuse and Neglect Hotline 800-392-0210. Suspected or known abuse may also be reported to law enforcement agencies.

Additionally, all diocesan personnel are required to report violations of The Code of Conduct for Clergy, Employees and Adult Volunteers of the Diocese, Parishes, and Schools to the Diocese Director of the Office of Child and Youth Protection at 417-866-0841

or [childandyouthprotection@dioscg.org](mailto:childandyouthprotection@dioscg.org). Concerns may also be discussed with your supervisor, the Diocesan Director of the Office of Child and Youth Protection, or a Victim Assistance Coordinator. Violations and concerns may also be reported using the TIPS online reporting system, accessible through the Diocesan webpage, [www.dioscg.org](http://www.dioscg.org).

Failure to Report is a Class A Misdemeanor for a person who is required under the law to report. No supervisor may interfere with or impede the reporting of suspected abuse.

Filing a False Report is also a Class A Misdemeanor.

To view the Safe Environment Policy and Procedures, the Code of Conduct for Clergy, Employees and Adult Volunteers and for other important information, including a link to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' document, Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, go to <http://dioscg.org/index.php/about/child-youth-protection2/>.

If you are unable to access the website or desire printed information, contact the Diocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at 417-866-0841.

# Good News

INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

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

Job 7:1-4, 6-7  
Ps 147:1-6  
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23  
Mark 1:29-39

**Monday February 8**  
Genesis 1:1-19  
Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c  
Mark 6:53-56

**Tuesday February 9**  
Genesis 1:20 -- 2:4a  
Ps 8:4-9  
Mark 7:1-13

**Wednesday February 10**  
**St. Scholastica**  
Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17  
Ps 104:1-2a, 27-30  
Mark 7:14-23

**Thursday February 11**  
**Our Lady of Lourdes**  
Genesis 2:18-25  
Ps 128:1-5  
Mark 7:24-30

**Friday February 12**  
Genesis 3:1-8  
Ps 32:1-2, 5-7  
Mark 7:31-37

**Saturday February 13**  
Genesis 3:9-24  
Ps 90:2-6, 12-13  
Mark 8:1-10

Today's reading from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians describes my own ministry of writing this and other bulletin articles:

*If I preach the Good News, this is no reason for me to boast, because I have an obligation to do this, and woe to me if I do not do it! If I do so willingly, I'm rewarded for it, but if unwillingly, I'm merely fulfilling my responsibility of stewardship. What then is my reward? That, when I share the Good News, I am able to offer it free of charge so that all may benefit.*

Saint Paul was not saying it's wrong to charge a fee. In fact, Jesus said that the worker deserves his wages (Luke 10:7). But Paul knew that what matters most is being a good steward of the gifts that God has given us.

What are the gifts that God has given you? We have all been entrusted with an obligation to continue the ministry of Christ on earth in our contemporary world. A Chris-

tian who does not follow Christ in ministry has a lazy faith, or a self-focused faith, an unlively faith.

Using your gifts, talents, wisdom, knowledge, compassion, etc., generously for the benefit of the faith of others is an alive faith. The immediate reward is a joyful awareness of being in partnership with Christ.

The Gospel reading shows us the generosity of Peter's mother-in-law in sharing her talent of hospitality. And it



shows us the determination of Jesus to preach the gospel widely and tirelessly.

Both are examples of good stewardship. All gifts and talents and financial earnings are blessings from God that are meant to be shared. This is how to feel fully alive in the faith!

### Reflect & Discuss:

1. What have you received from God?
2. How much of it is being shared with others?
3. What seems too inadequate to give away?
4. How can you become a better steward of God's gifts?
5. Name any service that you provide: How important is it to you that you keep doing it no matter what?
6. How important to Jesus do you think it is? Why?