

# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February 13, 2022 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR FEBRUARY 12- FEBRUARY 20

### ST. MARY'S

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	St. Mary's Parish Family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Mary Szydloski
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	+For All Deceased PCCW Members
Wednesday	8:15 a.m.	+Harold Mettlach
Friday	8:15 a.m.	+Tony & Stella Gripka
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Rose Marie Gasser 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Robert & Rose Ann Knott Bob & Ronnie Knott

### ST. AGNES

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

## EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Monday, February 14

**Memorial of Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius Bishop**  
**8:15 a.m. Rosary and Communion Service**  
PCCW Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the C.R.  
PSR Classes 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.  
Special Collection: Church in Central and Eastern Europe

Tuesday, February 15

Wednesday, February 16

Sunday, February 20

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, February 21

Tuesday, February 22

Wednesday, February 23

**8:15 a.m. Rosary and Communion Service**  
**Feast of The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle**  
**Memorial of Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr**  
**8:15 a.m. Mass**  
PSR Classes 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.  
**6:30 p.m. Mass**  
St. Mary's School Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the C.R.  
**8:15 a.m. Mass**

Friday, February 25

## OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in February:

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00

Last Week's Collection: \$ 5338.00

**TUCKPOINTING PROJECT:** To date our parish has \$47588.00 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 \$ 17,412.00 of meeting our goal.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** Randy Gold, Dick Conway, Louise Bellm, Ester Miller, Charlotte Sloan, Andrea Kristek, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

## APPOINTMENTS

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

**Saturday, February 19 4:00 p.m. Mass**

Readers: Beverly Miller, Madeline Ceselski  
Ushers: Larry Gasser, Doug Witt

**Sunday, February 20 8:30 a.m. Mass**

Readers: Rachelle Brown, Jennifer Eaton  
Ushers: Levi Cooper, Jesse Cooper

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

Jeremiah 17:5-8  
 Ps 1:1-4,6  
 1 Cor 15:12,16-20  
 Luke 6:17,20-26

**Monday Feb. 14**  
**Sts. Cyril and Methodius**  
 James 1:1-11  
 Ps 119:67,68,71,72,75,76  
 Mark 8:11-13

**Tuesday Feb. 15**  
 James 1:12-18  
 Ps 94:12-15,18-19  
 Mark 8:14-21

**Wednesday Feb. 16**  
 James 1:19-27  
 Ps 15:2-5  
 Mark 8:22-26

**Thursday Feb. 17**  
 James 2:1-9  
 Ps 34:2-7  
 Mark 8:27-33

**Friday Feb. 18**  
 James 2:14-24,26  
 Ps 112:1-6  
 Mark 8:34 -- 9:1

**Saturday Feb. 19**  
 James 3:1-10  
 Ps 12:2-8  
 Mark 9:2-13

Jesus makes it clear that he sides with the downtrodden in this Sunday's Gospel reading: the poor (this could be spiritually or materially), the hungry (again, spiritually or physically; the Lord cares about all who feel empty), the weeping, the hated, the excluded, the insulted, and those who are denounced on account of their faith in him.

Whenever we contribute to someone's miseries, we are setting ourselves up against God. Bad-mouthing people, even when the complaint is justified, is working against Jesus instead of with him.

So is telling demeaning jokes, filing lawsuits that exceed fair justice, or failing to help anyone who comes to our attention and is in need of what we could share.

So is deliberately intimidating an employee or spouse, or

being consistently late and causing others to be inconvenienced by the delay, or demanding too much from others, or demanding so much of ourselves that we have no energy or time for the Lord and for the people around us.

Whenever we contribute to the miseries of others, we work against Christ.

What happens to those who continually and unrepentantly set themselves against the Lord? Oh woe! Blessed are those whose hope is in the Lord (as the



first reading and Psalm remind us), but woe inevitably comes upon those whose only hope is human frailty.

The wealthy cannot take their possessions to heaven nor can they buy their way into heaven. Meanwhile, the Lord sides with

those who suffer because this wealth had not been shared with them.

Similarly, those who laugh at the ones who cry will not laugh long, for joy at the expense of another is only temporary and never truly satisfying.

The favored and famous who currently receive accolades will be criticized the moment their backs are turned.

The downtrodden are uplifted by Jesus, but those who lift themselves up don't have enough strength to carry their burdens very well -- they are miserable even while they smile.

### Reflect & Discuss:

1. In what ways do you feel downtrodden?
2. What is Jesus saying to you about this? How is he holding you? In prayer, imagine his awesome concern for you. It is real!
3. When you've felt downtrodden, how did you discover that Jesus truly cares about you?
4. What blessings come from knowing that Jesus is on your side?