

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
200 Front Street, Pierce City, MO 65723
August 13, 2023 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR AUGUST 12- AUGUST 20

ST. MARY'S

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Jim & Jo Ann Conley
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Teresa Heeter & Steve Heeter
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	St. Mary's Parish Family
Wednesday	8:15a.m.	For the Staff & Students of St. Mary's
Friday	8:15 a.m.	For the Health of Margie Gripka
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Charlotte Sloan Birthday Remembrance
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Deceased Members of the Frank & Catherine Roetto Family

ST. AGNES

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

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Monday, August 14	Memorial of Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest 8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service Solemnity of The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary 7:00 p.m. Mass First Day of School for St. Mary's
Tuesday, August 15	8:15 a.m. Mass
Wednesday, August 16	8:15 a.m. Mass
Friday, August 18	8:15 a.m. Mass

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, August 21	Memorial of Pius X, Pope 8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service Memorial of The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary First Day of School for St. Mary's Preschool First Day of School for St. Mary's Pre-Kindergarten 8:15 a.m. Mass
Tuesday, August 22	Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle 8:15 a.m. Mass
Wednesday, August 23	All School Mass for St. Mary's School Children Open House for St. Mary's School after Mass
Thursday, August 24	
Friday, August 25	
Sunday, August 27	

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

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00 Last Week's Collection: \$7203.50

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Erin (Gasser) Carnes, Mary Catherine Miller, Joan (Whitman) Johnson, Brenda (Wroblewski) Buchanan, Guessie Pierce, Melissa Cahalan, Andrea Kristek, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

CONGRATULATIONS to Brenden & Baleigh (Eaton) Kleibecker who were married in our church on July 29, 2023.

ATTENTION PCCW MEMBERS: The new funeral circles are available in the back of church. The circles have been updated and two of the circles have been combined. Please take one.

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

We are excited that next Wednesday, August 16 we will welcome back our students for the 2023-2024 year! We will be selling Mums this year, and you will find an order form attached to the bulletin. You can place your order forms in next week's collection in an envelope marked Mum's. We could still use a volunteer for PE. Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 23rd. St. Mary's Diner will have its fall opening.

THE PIERCE CITY SENIOR CITIZENS will have a Breakfast Fundraiser on Saturday morning, August 19 from 7:00am to 10:00am. This is our only fundraiser this year. We will be serving Bacon, Sausage, Eggs, Biscuit and Sausage gravy, fruit, and drinks. Price is \$10.00 adults, \$7.00 age 5-10, 4 and under free. Everyone is welcome. Donations are always appreciated. We also serve lunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays, price is \$5.00. We serve at 12:00 noon. All are welcome!

APPOINTMENTS

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

Saturday, August 19 4:00 p.m. Mass

Readers: Beverly Miller, Madeline Ceselski

Servers: Witley Cahalan, William Garner

E.M.: John Witt, Cindy Witt, Jennifer Garner

Ushers: Michael Abramovitz, Leonard Fenske, Larry Gasser, Doug Witt

Sunday, August 20 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: Cody Washam, Barbara Glouse

Servers: Blaise Randall, Avery Caddell

E.M.: Cari Caddell, Joe Parrigon, Joe Crowell, Denise Crowell (Choir)

Ushers: Cody Washam, Rick Washam, Dereck Washam, Jared Barchak

Good News

INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday August 13

1 Kings 19:9a,11-13a

Ps 85:9-14

Romans 9:1-5

Matthew 14:22-33

Monday August 14

St. Maximilian Kolbe

Deuteronomy 10:12-22

Ps 147:12-15,19-20

Matthew 17:22-27

Tuesday August 15

Assumption of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a,10ab

Ps 45:10-12,16

1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Luke 1:39-56

Wednesday August 16

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Ps 66:1-3a,5,8,16-17

Matthew 18:15-20

Thursday August 17

Jos 3:7-10a,11,13-17

Ps 114:1-6

Matthew 18:21-19:1

Friday August 18

Jos 24:1-13

Ps 136:1-3,16-18,21-22,24

Matthew 19:3-12

Saturday August 19

Jos 24:14-29

Ps 16:1-2a,5,7-8,11

Matthew 19:13-15

In the Gospel reading, Jesus finishes with the miracle of multiplying a few loaves and fish to feed thousands of people, and then he goes off by himself to pray.

When you host a large dinner party or complete a big project or overcome difficult obstacles, do you give yourself time to recuperate and let God minister to you?

After spending time alone with his Father, Jesus was so uplifted by the experience that he walked on water!

Jesus frequently spent time in prayer. He probably went off by himself to pray a lot more often than what is written in scripture. So why did Matthew mention it here? What was significant about this particular prayer time?

Through Matthew, God is showing us how to achieve a well-balanced faith.

We need periods of prayer-filled solitude to restore our energies and renew our vision of what God is inspiring us to do. We all have work to do for God in our families, in our workplaces, in social gatherings, in our parishes and in every problem that arises. Giving of ourselves to others will always drain us; to thrive and grow in our usefulness to God, we must allow him to replenish us often.

Prayer helps us to prepare for whatever lies ahead, even when we don't know what we're walking into. What we gain from the Lord in our time alone with him is a gift designed for our benefit *and* for responding to the needs of others. It strengthens our faith, teaches us how to walk on water, and sends us to the next shore where



people who need God's help are waiting. God wants to minister to them through us. Are you prayed up and ready?

Reflect & Discuss:

- † How much time do you spend in quiet aloneness with the Lord?
- † Is it enough to restore the inner peace that comes from staying in touch with God? Or do you feel drained and unprepared to continue?
- † What's your favorite way of praying? What kind of prayer makes you feel most connected to God? Why?
- † How does this help you in the tasks of your daily life?

St. Mary's Fall Mum Order Form

Order forms should be back to the office by Thursday, August 24th. Orders will be ready for pick up starting on Saturday, September 23rd before Mass or at the St. Mary's Diner Fall opening.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

All Mums are \$15 each. These will be very nice quality. The plants will have full 14-16 inch spreads, planted in 8 inch pots.

Write in the number of each color you would like.

Bronze _____

Red _____

White _____

Yellow _____

Lavender _____

Total number of mums: _____ x \$15.

(Make checks out to St. Mary's School.) Order amount \$ _____

Paid: Cash ___ Check # ___ Amount: \$ _____

Thank you for supporting St. Mary's.