

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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January 14, 2024 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR JANUARY 13- JANUARY 21

ST. MARY'S

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Betty Rakoski
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Bill Seufert
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Wednesday	8:15 a.m.	+Terry Campbell Birthday Remembrance
Friday	8:15 a.m.	+ Stan Whitman
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Charlotte Sloan
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Francis & Mildred Witt

ST. AGNES

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

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Monday, January 15

Wednesday, January 17

Friday, January 19

8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service

8:15 a.m. Mass

PSR Classes from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. All children K-12th.

Jesus and the Eucharist Adult Faith Formation Study 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. in the cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend.

8:15 a.m. Mass

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, January 22

Wednesday, January 24

Thursday, January 25

Friday, January 26

8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service

8:15 a.m. Mass

PSR Classes from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. All children K-12th.

Jesus and the Eucharist Adult Faith Formation Study 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. in the cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Feast of The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

Memorial of Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops

8:15 a.m. Mass

OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in January: Bonnie Parrigon and Glen Carver

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00

Last Week's Collection: \$ 4154.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Melissa (Campbell) Culp, Fr. Peter Morciniec, Pat Kaiser, Judy Litril, Margie Jensen, Erin (Gasser) Carnes, Mary Catherine Miller, Joan (Whitman) Johnson, Brenda (Wroblewski) Buchanan, Melissa Cahalan, Andrea Kristek, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

2024 YOUTH GROUP: All St. Mary's parish youth in grades 6-12th and parents are invited to attend a kickoff activity on Wednesday, January 17 at 6:00 in the parish hall. New group, new leaders, new vision! Check us out on Instagram @ [pccatholicyouthgroup](https://www.instagram.com/pccatholicyouthgroup) or on Facebook @ St. Mary's Youth Group Pierce City, Mo

END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTION TAX LETTER: If you would like a copy of your contributions for the 2023 year, please print your name on the sign-up sheet in the back of church. The letter will be in the back of church the weekend of January 27 & 28.

PCCW NEWS: Attention Ladies. It's time to pay our annual dues of \$10. If you don't receive church envelopes simply put your money in an envelopes and label it PCCW. Also the Annual Valentine's Day Tea at Holy Family Church in Shell Knob. It will be held on Feb. 12, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. If you are interested in attending please RSVP by January 26 to Janet (913)5260180 or jmurph2@aol.com. Due to limited seating, reservations will be accepted until capacity is reached or Jan. 26 whichever comes first. Please, no walk ins. We ask each guest to bring a monetary donation for the Alliance of Churches' Food Pantry.

APPOINTMENTS

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

Saturday, January 20 4:00 p.m. Mass

Readers: Beverly Miller, Madeline Ceselski

Servers: Blythe Garner, William Garner

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

Ushers: Bryan Stellwagen, Michael Abramovitz, Leonard Fenske, Larry Gasser

Sunday, January 21 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: Mary Abramovitz, Linda Fenske

Servers: Ben Brown, Jay Brown

E.M.: Mary Abramovitz, Ralph Abramovitz, Dale Jasumback, Jerri Jasumback (Choir)

Ushers: Ralph Abramovitz, Jim Barchak, Jared Barchak, Darren Brown

Parish Pastoral Council: Our new parish pastoral council has been busy the last several months. Last year, Bishop Rice formed new guidelines for all parish councils that transformed the structure and purpose of parish councils. The focus of parish councils is no longer church financials and maintenance of the church, its buildings, and church grounds. Instead, all councils are now to be focused on ongoing spiritual renewal of our parishes.

As part of our renewed focus on spiritual growth and formation, our parish pastoral council has formed four new committees:

Youth Formation, Adult Formation, Outreach, and Liturgical/Prayer. Chairpersons from each committee have reached out to many of you to be part of these committees. Each of these committees will be meeting the next several months to develop plans for renewed spiritual growth in our parish and community. Feel free to reach out to chairpersons of each committee with ideas or to participate in planning activities.

Youth Formation: Adam Boman, Melanie Carder

Adult Formation: Jared Barchak, Ian Brottlund

Outreach: Mike Kaiser, Patty Osterloh

Liturgical/Prayer: Caroline Randoll, Judy Flehmer, Dale Jasumback.

While the purpose and focus of the parish council is shifting, maintenance and financial issues will still require regular oversight. Fr. Matt and the Finance Committee will still focus on the financials of the parish. As we go forward, it is our hope to form a "**Maintenance Team**" which will work under Fr. Matt to maintain the church buildings and grounds. If you would be interested in being on this team, or have any questions about the new pastoral council, please reach out to Fr. Matt or Parish Pastoral Council President Adam Boman.

Once our committee plans are formed, we will be putting them together in a parish wide Plan For Ongoing Spiritual Renewal. It is our hope that every individual in St. Mary's Parish will be able to contribute in their own way, according to their unique talents and gifts. Through our work together, God will continue to help us all grow in holiness and witness to the world around us.

PRAYER

Good and generous Lord. You have once more brought the year full circle, through planting and growing and ripening to harvest time.

We thank You for the sun and the rain, the minerals of the earth, and all the plants that grow. We marvel at Your wonderful ways of bringing food from the earth for us to live. Dear God, help us to use Your rich gifts as You want us to. Teach us to share them with our neighbor when he is in need. Make us see the merciful, generous hand of Your divine providence.

Help us to realize, too, that if we keep Your commandments and live according to the inspirations of Your grace, we shall also reap a plentiful harvest in the autumn of our lifetime: a harvest that we will be able to enjoy forever and ever. Amen.