

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
200 Front Street, Pierce City, MO 65723
August 18, 2024 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR AUGUST 17 – AUGUST 25

ST. MARY'S

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Betty Rakoski
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary's Parish Family
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Wednesday	8:15 a.m.	For St. Mary's Staff and Children
Friday	8:15 a.m.	+Mary Birkenbach
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Charlette Sloan Birthday Remembrance
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Cecilia Blinzler

ST. AGNES

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

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday, August 18	St. Mary's All School Mass St. Mary's School Open House after Mass 8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Dr. of the Church First Day of School for St. Mary's
Monday, August 19	Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope
Tuesday, August 20	8:15 a.m. Mass Liturgy/Pray Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the C.R. Memorial of The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday, August 21	8:15 a.m. Mass
Thursday, August 22	8:15 a.m. Mass
Friday, August 23	8:15 a.m. Mass
Saturday, August 24	Feast of Saint Bartholomew
Sunday, August 25	Back to School Breakfast Hosted by Our Outreach Committee Info below

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, August 26	8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service
Tuesday, August 27	Memorial of Saint Monica
Wednesday, August 28	Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Dr. of the Church 8:15 a.m. Mass
Thursday, August 29	Memorial of The Passion of saint John
Friday, August 30	8:15 a.m. Mass

OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in September: Tim & Patty Osterloh

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00 Last Week's Collection: \$ 5856.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Chester Kirk, Linda VanEaton, Pam Miller, Margie Gripka, Regina (Jasumback) Jung, Maura Sparks, Loretta Graskemper, Gus Fenske, Melissa (Campbell) Culp, Pat Kaiser, Judy (Conley) Litril, Mary Catherine Miller, Brenda (Wroblewski) Buchanan, Melissa Cahalan, Andrea Kristek, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

PSR CLASSES FOR THE 2024/2025 school year will begin in September! Together we will joyfully deepen our faith. Please register your children for PSR class in grades K-6 and your 7-12 grade children for Youth Group/Confirmation. Jenifer Graves will be available after Sunday mass to hand out paper registration forms. Online registration will be shared by email, Remind, and on social media.

BACK TO SCHOOL BREAKFAST AUGUST 25, AFTER 8:30 MASS, HOSTED BY: OUR OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Come everyone and enjoy breakfast with your fellow parishioners. Let's continue to encourage participation to church by expressing God's love for each other!!! Biscuits & Gravy, Breakfast Casserole, Sausage, Fruit, Lots of Sweet goodies, Coffee and Juice. LOVE TO ALL!

CAMPAIGN FOR PRAYER AND FIRST SATURDAY MASSES: In the June 7th issue of *The Mirror*, Bishop Rice asked for us to have "a strong prayer campaign invoking the help of the intercession of our Blessed Mother "before the November election. Please help by participating in Mass on the first five Saturdays of Sept. 7, Oct. 5, and Nov 2, followed by a rosary for life, marriage and family that will be offered in church after each of these 4:00 p.m. Masses. As *The Mirror* states, we are "invoking our Blessed Mother in our efforts to not enshrine the right to an abortion in our Missouri Constitution and to uphold the dignity of life in all its stages."

PRAYER FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Spirit of God, fill our hearts with a desire to seek truth and rejoice in beauty. Help us to know what is pleasing to you and to understand what is right and good in your sight. Give us the spirit of learning that we may please you by our thoughts and love you in your creation. Give all teachers your constant encouragement and guide them in their work. Spirit of God, make us effective witnesses of your truth to all whose lives we touch. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord, Amen.

APPOINTMENTS

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

Saturday, August 24 4:00 p.m. Mass

Readers: Ron Dunaway, Madeline Ceselski
Servers: Blythe Garner, William Garner
E.M.: Jennifer Garner, Lora Saffer, Richard Ceselski
Ushers: Doug Sloan, Michael Sloan, Robert Mitchell, Doug Witt
Announcements: Lora Saffer

Sunday, August 25 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: Cody Washam, Barbara Glouse
Servers: Blaise Randall, Jack Randall
E.M.: Mary Abramovitz, Ralph Abramovitz, Jeri Jasumback, Dale Jasumback
Ushers: Cody Washam, Dereck Washam, Rick Washam, Ellis Motley
Announcements: Cody Washam

Good News INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18, 2024: Prv 9:1-6 | Ps 34:2-7 | Eph 5:15-20 | Jn 6:51-58

Pray: Lord Jesus, thank you for the precious gift of your presence in the Holy Eucharist. Amen.

Abide in me, Lord, and I will Abide in You.

Jesus says, "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and me in him." This week, we continue focusing on Christ's sermon, the "Bread of Life discourse," a teaching of profound spiritual significance. We already know that Jesus meant exactly what He said when He told us to eat His body and drink His blood to gain everlasting life. Let us now look at what He meant by the words "abides in me, and me in him."

God loves us and has a unique plan for each of our lives. Part of that plan is to have a loving relationship with Him so He can help us reach our potential. God wants to abide in us, to dwell or live in our hearts, and to fill our souls with His supernatural grace.

What a great blessing to receive Jesus' real Body and Blood, His Real Presence, through the Holy Eucharist! Even amid this troubled world with so much discord and so many contrary messages against Gospel teachings, we know that God abides in us. If we allow Him, He will transform us to speak, think, and act according to His Holy Will. This heavenly food fuels us to discern right from wrong, fight



temptations, forgive one another, and love like Christ.

Through the power of Jesus in the Eucharist living within us, we are empowered to live the Gospel daily, look for Christ's face in others, and share the reason for our joy, hope, and peace with the world around us.

Reflect & Discuss:

- † In what ways do you prepare your heart to receive Jesus in Communion?
- † How does knowing Jesus is alive and abiding within you affect how you treat yourself and others?
- † How does receiving the Eucharist lead to a life of holiness amidst the challenges of modern society?
- † How does the frequent reception of the Holy Eucharist in Communion build interior joy and peace?

Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser

An exciting new adventure to benefit our Youth Group and Outreach Committee

When: September 28 through October 31

Sunday 12:00 PM-5:00 PM Monday – Saturday 10:30AM-6:30PM

Where: The Animal Clinic of Pierce City – 3104 US Highway 60

Partnered with: "Pumpkin Patch Fundraisers", at www.pumpkinpatchfundraisers.com

- There is zero out-of-pocket cost to us
- We simply unload the semi-truck (September 27th) at 11AM - MANY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED THIS DAY
- sell pumpkins and gourds through October 31st beginning on Saturday, September 28th.
- report the sales daily on their website
- get rid of the rotten ones as we go along
- dispose of any extras after October 31st
- mail their percentage of sales by Nov 15th (based on total \$\$ amount sold during our sale days)

This is just the first step in planning.

1. We are still looking for ideas and what else we can do to make this project a success.
2. Please come forward with all ideas to add to this event.
3. We will offer photo ops and field trips to day cares facilities and schools. If you would like to be a story reader or face painter, please call.
4. Feel free to call Frances Boman for any questions or input. 417-693-0174

Important Days to add to your Calendar

1. NOW – Tell all friends and family to hold off buying their pumpkins and gourds until September 28th and then to come see us at 3104 US Highway 60 at the ANIMAL CLINIC of Pierce City.
2. September 1st, Signup calendar will be in the back of the church for signing up to Volunteer at the patch
3. September 1st Take flyers that will be in the back of church to distribute everywhere you can
4. September 27th, 11:00AM we will Unload Semi truck of pumpkins and gourds (by hand) at the Animal Clinic
5. September 28th, Patch opens – Come out and pick out your pumpkins for Holiday baking and Decorating
6. October 5th, Apple Butter Making Day at the Patch, Come and watch the process of making it

Much more information to come.

Discussion and taking questions at the Outreach breakfast on August
25th in the cafeteria.

Things we will need to get set up and that we are hoping some of you may
be able to help us acquire are:

Straw Hay Bales Volunteer Story tellers Corn stalks Volunteer Readers Volunteer Face Painters
Wagons to borrow for shopping cart Pint jars to can the apple butter

ST. Mary's Parish Annual Financial Report and Budget

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

	Current Year Budget 2023-2024	Current Year Actual 2023-2024	% Diff Budget to Actual	Next Year Budget 2024-2025
CHURCH				
CHURCH INCOME				
Parish Receipts	143,714	134,138	-1.56%	137,521
Other Income	150,521	160,644	-57.67%	165,527
Special Operations Income	0	128	100.00%	128
Collections for Diocese	13,221	12,303	27.56%	12,303
Collections for National/Other	3,821	3,078	4.54%	3,078
Non-Revenue Receipts	0	18,457	100.00%	0
GRAND TOTAL REVENUE	311,277	326,748	4.97%	318,557
CHURCH OPERATING EXPENSES				
Personnel Costs	73,716	82,463	-21.79%	86,705
Overhead Expenses	73,691	92,180	-18.67%	95,129
Parish Program Expenses	4,893	4,565	48.11%	4,712
School Subsidy	200,000	133,333	-12.47%	160,000
Diocese Related Expenses	17,239	16,998	25.82%	16,998
National/Other Expenses	3,821	19,521	47.86%	3,078
GRAND TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	373,360	349,060	-6.51%	366,622
CHURCH CAPITAL EXPENDITURES				
Projects	0	0	0.00%	0
GRAND TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0	0	0.00%	0
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	373,360	349,060	-6.51%	366,622
REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSES	0	(22,312)	0.00%	(48,065)
CASH ACCOUNT BALANCES				
	<i>Opening 7/1/2023</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>	<i>Ending 6/30/2024</i>
First State Bank - Church	41,880.92	326,747.77	349,059.88	19,568.81
First State Bank - Picnic	85,578.92	84,734.06	69,292.91	101,020.07
SCHOOL				
SCHOOL INCOME				
Tuition	140,650	142,350	1.21%	138,325
Fees	32,085	31,210	-2.73%	36,110
Parish Support	200,000	133,333	-33.33%	160,000
Other Income	37,291	98,665	164.58%	73,347
GRAND TOTAL REVENUE	410,025	405,558	-1.09%	407,782
SCHOOL EXPENSES				
Instruction Personnel Costs	234,873	232,136	-1.17%	252,461
Instruction - Other Costs	8,389	3,538	-57.83%	3,651
Administration	100,622	108,492	7.82%	59,484
Student Services	33,228	28,763	-13.44%	79,003
Building Operation and Maintenance	32,913	66,165	101.03%	38,928
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	410,025	439,094	7.09%	433,528
SCHOOL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES				
Furniture & Fixtures	0	0	0.00%	0
GRAND TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0	0	0.00%	0
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES AND DISBURSEMENTS	410,025	439,094	7.09%	433,528
REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSES	0	(33,536)	0.00%	(25,746)
CASH ACCOUNT BALANCES				
	<i>Opening 7/1/2023</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>	<i>Ending 6/30/2024</i>
First State Bank	49,607.47	405,557.95	439,094.23	16,071.19
First State Bank - Tuition Assistance Fund	9,389.88	16.22	1,500.00	7,906.10
CAFETERIA				
CAFETERIA INCOME				
Reimbursements from Students and Teachers	35,414	27,540	-22.23%	32,191
Government Reimbursement	6,943	6,787	-2.25%	8,729
School Subsidy	1,935	8,025	314.81%	0
Non-Program Receipts	0	313	100.00%	0
GRAND TOTAL REVENUE	44,292	42,666	-3.67%	40,920
CAFETERIA EXPENSES				
Food Costs	25,234	17,363	-31.19%	22,676
Administration	15,029	12,485	-16.92%	14,064
Equipment and Supplies	4,029	2,639	-34.51%	4,180
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	44,292	32,487	-26.65%	40,920
REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSES	0	10,179	0.00%	0
CASH ACCOUNT BALANCES				
	<i>Opening 7/1/2023</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>	<i>Ending 6/30/2024</i>
First State Bank	25,143.79	42,665.60	32,486.60	35,322.79