

# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

200 Front Street, Pierce City, MO 65723

November 17, 2024 Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## St. Mary's Catholic Church

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## SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR NOVEMBER 16 – NOVEMBER 24

### ST. MARY'S

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Hank & Donna James
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Betty Ellis
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Wednesday	8:15 a.m.	+Gary Weidenbach
Friday	8:15 a.m.	+Bill Seufert
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Terry Campbell
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Stan & Pauline Whitman Wedding Anniversary

### ST. AGNES

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

## EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday, November 17	PSR Classes 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.
Thursday, November 21	Memorial of The Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday, November 22	Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
Sunday, November 24	PSR Classes 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, November 25	St. Mary's School in Session
	8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service
Wednesday, November 27	St. Mary's No School
	8:15 a.m. Mass
Thursday, November 28	St. Mary's No School
	Thanksgiving Day Masses: St. Mary's 10:30 a.m. St. Agnes 8:30 a.m.
Friday, November 29	St. Mary's No School
	8:15 a.m. Mass
Saturday, November 30	Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle
Sunday, December 1	PSR Classes 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

## OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in November: Joe & Denise Crowell

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00

Last Week's Collection: \$ 2806.00

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

## **OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY GO TO DONNA FENSKE AND HER FAMILY ON THE DEATH OF HER FATHER DONALD EIMER.** May he be living with God and may his family be blessed with Christ's Peace.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Ellie June Washam who was born of water and Holy Spirit in baptism on November 10, 2024. Ellie the daughter of Derek & Brittany (Gasser) Washam.

**THANK YOU** to Father Matt and the Outreach Committee. Recently I heard that one of the nursing assistants at LACOBA and her family were displaced from their residence due to a fire. I asked assistance from family, friends and my parish family. Father Matt applied for beds from Dream Big Little One Association. The association provided free beds to the seven children. Patty and Tim Osterloh provided their truck and stock trailer. Tim transported the beds from Golden City to Monett with the assistance of Dan and Donna Witt. The Outreach Committee are fulfilling their mission, "GIVING THROUGH ACTION". Thanks also to our parishioners for contributions of clothing and monetary donations. The family expressed deep gratitude to our parish family for caring about them. God Bless You! – Linda Fenske

**CONFIRMATION:** St. Mary's Parish will have the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, October 25, 2025. There will be a **mandatory Confirmation preparation meeting on November 24** after 830 mass in the cafeteria. Students planning to be confirmed and their parents are required to attend. In our Diocese, those students who are enrolled in the 7th, 8th, and 9th grade (or anyone older) can receive the Sacrament of Confirmation with proper sacramental preparation. Confirmation classes are currently on-going and occur after 8:30am mass each Sunday. Regular attendance of preparation classes is expected to receive the sacrament. If your child expects to be confirmed in the fall of 2025, they need to be attending regularly. For more information please contact the Parish DRE Jennifer Graves at 417-635-4003

**BISHOP EMERITUS JOHN J. LEIBRECHT** 40th Episcopal Anniversary. Join us as we celebrate on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 St. Agnes Cathedral, 533 S. Jefferson Ave. Springfield, Missouri 65806 | Mass at 7:00 p.m.

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE** will be for the first 3 weeks of November. The food will go to St. Suzanne's of Mt. Vernon to help their food bank. Please bring non perishable items and leave them in the back of church. This is in conjunction with Ms. Lanetta's preschool and Pre-K service project.

**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION:** We will be taking up a second collection on December 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> to sponsor Pierce City Families with kids that need help buying Christmas gifts. This gifts stay within the Pierce City community, so if you are able to donate please do. Also it is tax deductible. Put your donation in an envelope marked Christmas Collection with you name on it, and it will go on your tithing amount for the year.

**THE PCCW LADIES** are selling pecans during the month of November and part of December. As soon as the pecans arrive we will sell after both weekend Masses. You may also contact an officer to purchase them. The price is \$12.00 a bag. We appreciate your support. Contact Bonnie Parrigon at 417-489-3866, Patty Osterloh at 417-540-4182 Cathy Brown 417-489-9530 or Trish Bachert at 417-434-2027. Thank, you.

**VATICAN TRIP:** If you are interested in joining St Mary's students to the Vatican and the basilica of St Francis of Assisi, please text Glo Abramovitz @ 417-489-6525. It is an 8 day trip leaving in May 2026. Information is in the back of church.

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

What a week!! We had a great guest speaker this past week. Peggy Painter came with her homing pigeons and explained how these birds find their way home. We were then allowed to release the birds and watch them fly. Check out Facebook for pictures. Also, if you have a need for a dove release for your special event, give Peggy a call at I Dove the Ozarks (417) 209-6180. Thanks Peggy!!

Please remember Ms. Lanetta's classes are collecting canned and nonperishable food items for St. Suzanne's food pantry. This food drive involves the entire school and is a yearlong service project. I urge a big push next week to bring in these items so families in need can have a good Thanksgiving.

We will not have an All-School Mass in December, but I am happy to announce that in January we will have an All-Parish Children's Mass. This Mass will include St. Marys' students and PSR students. More details to come.

School will be in session Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Thanksgiving Break will be Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> through Monday December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Have a great week and God Bless!  
Susan Salsman

**APPOINTMENTS**

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

**Saturday, November 23 4:00 p.m. Mass**

Readers: Ron Dunaway, Madeline Ceselski

Servers: Blythe Garner, William Garner

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

Ushers: Doug Sloan, Michael Sloan, Robert Mitchell, Doug Witt

Announcements: Bonnie Parrigon

**Sunday, November 24 8:30 a.m. Mass**

Readers: Jennifer Eaton, Cody Washam

Servers: Drew Randall, JJ Randall

E.M.: Rachelle Brown, Mellanie Carder, Jennifer Eaton, Baleigh Kleiboeker

Ushers: Dustin Avondet, Kellen Avondet, Ian Brottlund, Jesse Cooper

Announcements: Adam Boman