## ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

200 Front Street, Pierce City, MO 65723 April 6, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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### SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR APRIL 5 – APRIL 13

ST. MARY'S ST. AGNES 4:00 p.m. Saturday St. Mary's Parish Family Tues. 8:30 a.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m. +Helen Marie Mettlach Thurs. 8:30 a.m. Rosary and Communion Service Monday 8:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Sun. Wednesday +Bill Seufert 8:15 a.m.

Friday 8:15 a.m. +Donald Eimer

Saturday 4:00 p.m. +Hank & Donna James Sunday 8:30 a.m. St. Mary's Parish Family

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday, April 6 PSR Classes 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Lenten Penance Service St. Mary's at 4:00 p.m.

Monday, April 7 8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service

Wednesday, April 9 8:15 a.m. Mass

Thursday, April 10 Lenten Penance Service St. Agnes at 6:00 p.m.

Friday, April 11 Day of Abstinence

8:15 a.m. Mass

Stations of the Cross at 2:30 p.m. With St. Mary's School Children

Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. Dine in or carry out. Adults \$10 Kids \$5 (6-12) 5& under Free. Sponsored

by the St. Mary's Home & School

Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. Lead by Volunteer

Children's Mass moved to Sunday, April 13

Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday The Passion of the Lord

St. Mary's Children Mass

PSR Classes 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

The Over 65 Dinner

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** 

Saturday, April 12

Monday, April 14 St. Mary's School in Session

8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service

Wednesday, April 16

Thursday, April 17 Holy Thursday Mass at St. Agnes 7:00 p.m.

8:15 a.m. Mass

Friday, April 18 Day of Abstinence

Good Friday Passion of the Lord Service St. Mary's at 7:00 p.m. St. Agnes 3:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross at 2:30 p.m. With St. Mary's School Children

Fish Fry 5-7 p.m. Dine in or carry out. Adults \$10 Kids \$5 (6-12) 5& under Free, Sponsored

by the St. Mary's Home & School Holy Saturday Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 19 Sunday, April 20 Easter Sunday Mass 8:30 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt after Mass Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

NO PSR Classes

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

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00 Last Week's Collection: \$ 3346.50

THE MIRROR subscription is due. The Diocese wished that all families receive The Mirror. Please help defray costs by paying the \$14 toward your subscription. Checks should be made out to St. Mary's. So far we have only collected \$ 777.00 toward our \$1932.00 Mirror bill, so if you have not yet paid for your subscription please do so now. Or if you would like to make a donation to help pay for someone that may not be able to pay that would be greatly appreciated.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Larry Carver, Debbie (Rakoski) Erwin, Carol Baker, Jack Parrigon, Gary Hawshaw, Sharon Bandy, Chester Kirk, Linda VanEaton, Margie Gripka, Regina (Jasumback) Jung, Maura Sparks, Loretta Graskemper, Gus Fenske, Melissa (Campbell) Culp, Pat Kaiser, Judy (Conley) Litril, Mary Catherine Miller, Brenda (Wrobleski) Buchanan, Melissa Cahalan, Andrea Kristek, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

THANK YOU: The wife and family of James 'Sonny' Bertalotto, beloved brother of parishioners Mary Lou Lombard, Cindy Witt, and Marjorie Layton would like to thank Father Matt for the kind and lovely services on February 8th. Also, a special thank you to the choir along with the beautiful singing and organist Rhonda Forgey for furnishing the beautiful music. We would also like to thank Funeral Circle #5 for the lovely meal served after the services, Chairpersons Janet Eck and Cari Caddell along with their volunteers Cheryl Reynolds, Jenna Pearce, and Lexi Eck, thank you!

THANK YOU: The St. Mary's youth group took 21 parish youth to the Diocesan Youth Conference this past weekend. We would like to thank the parish and pumpkin patch fundraiser for financially supporting part of the cost. Also a big thank you to the chaperones who organized and supervised the trip, including Baleigh and Brenden Kleiboeker, Mel Carder, and Jenifer Graves.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS: Derek Washam April 6<sup>th</sup>, Ambreia Brattin April 8<sup>th</sup>, Lilly Boman April 11<sup>th</sup>, Virginia Clara Waring April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Zoe Gurley April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

GIFT BEARERS FOR WEEKEND MASSES Participate in the Mass on the weekend by signing up to be an offertory gift bearer. Especially consider this when a Mass is being offered for a family member. The sign-up sheet will be on the back table. Thank you.

<u>LENTEN PROJECT:</u> This year we are going to help children with cancer. We have a young parishioner fighting cancer Jack Parrigon. We have talked to his family and their wishes are that we send extra prayers for Jack and their family, and that the second collection that we will take up on April 5 & 6 to be donated to St. Jude Children's Hospital in Jack's name. St. Mary's School is also participating in this project.

THE OVER-65 DINNER will be held on Sunday, April 13, 2025. This dinner will be held in the cafeteria/gym. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church. You may also sign up by calling Mellanie Carder at 737-2812 or Bonnie Parrigon at 489-3866. The deadline for signing up is TODAY. For those who are shut-ins your dinner can be delivered. Please indicate when you sign up by writing deliver by your name. We hope to see you April 13th. Everyone's favorite game of bingo will be played.

PICNIC PLANNING FOR JUNE 2025 --- OUR 38th YEAR --- ARE UNDERWAY!!! Plans have begun for our 2025 Old Fashioned Church Picnic which will be held on Sunday, June 1st, 2025. We are losing a chairperson for the parish picnic this year. We are asking anyone interested in being chairperson of the Hamburger Stand or the Trash and Treasures, please contact Frances Boman. 417-693-0174 or Mellanie Carder 417-737-2812.

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK: It was a great week at St. Mary's. Things don't always go according to our plans, but they do go according to God's plans.

Fifth graders headed out for our retreat in Carthage on Wednesday. We got as far as Sarcoxie when weather reports came in that serve weather was headed our way. We turned the bus around and came back to have a 5<sup>th</sup> grade retreat here. We had a bit of fun with ice-breaker activities to start. We then read about the crucifixion of Jesus from the Gospel of John, and discussed the suffering Jesus endured to make salvation possible for us all. We said the rosary and all-in-all took time to get closer to the Lord.

News from preschool and pre-K!! Ms. Lanetta's classes and the entire school has been hard at work this year collecting food for St. Susanne's Food Pantry. So far this year, Ms. Lanetta has delivered over 10 carloads (seats and truck included) of food to the pantry. Thank you to Ms. Lanetta and all the St. Mary's students and families that have made this a rousing success! Let's finish strong!!

Make up days from our snow absences will be April 21and May 19.

### \*\*HELP WANTED\*\*

St. Mary's needs a school cafeteria cook for next school year. VIRTUS training is required. Please call Shelly at the church office at 476-2827 or Susan Salsman at 476-2824. Hours are from 8-2 Tuesday-Friday. We will also be looking for cafeteria volunteers to help as well.

P.E. is needing a new teacher for next year as well. This position is only one day a week from 12-3pm. This is a volunteer position. Anyone wanting to help would need to undergo Virtus Child Safety training online.

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

Saturday, April 12 4:00 p.m. Mass

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED SINCE THE CHILDRENS MASS WAS MOVED TO SUNDAY

Sunday, April 13 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: St. Mary's School and PSR Children
Servers: St. Mary's School and PSR Children
E.M.: St. Mary's School and PSR Family Members
Ushers: St. Mary's School and PSR Children
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# PIERCE CITY INTERFAITH EASTER CELEBRATION

Come gather with neighbors and friends to celebrate through music and scripture the life and victory of Jesus Christ.

Sunday, April 6th 6-7pm at the Pierce City Senior Center