



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

200 FRONT STREET, PIERCE CITY, MO 65723

EASTER SUNDAY RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

APRIL 5- APRIL 12, 2026

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Happy Easter

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR APRIL 5 - APRIL 12, 2026

	DAY	TIME	FAMILY
ST. MARY'S	SATURDAY	6:00 pm	Parish Family
	SUNDAY	8:30 am	Parish Family
	MONDAY	8:15 am	Rosary and Communion
	WEDNESDAY	8:15 am	+Charles Seufert
	FRIDAY	8:15 am	+Bill Seufert
	SATURDAY	4:00 pm	+Don Gripka
	SUNDAY	8:30 am	+Helen Marie Mettlach
ST. AGNES	TUESDAY	8:30 am	Adoration and Mass
	THURSDAY	8:30 am	Adoration and Mass
	SUNDAY	10:30 am	Mass

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

APRIL 6 MONDAY	Church Office Closed
APRIL 8 WEDNESDAY	Adoration and Mass at 8:15 am
APRIL 12 SUNDAY	First Communion Mass at 8:30 am

UPCOMING WEEK

APRIL 13 MONDAY	Father Thomas leaves for India
APRIL 15 WEDNESDAY	No Mass
APRIL 17 FRIDAY	No Mass

"ONE FAMILY IN CHRIST"



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417 205 8617
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ EASTER MESSAGE FROM FATHER THOMAS

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
On this most holy day, we have journeyed together. We walked the sorrowful way of the Cross on Good Friday, standing in silence at the foot of the Cross with Mary, our mother. We kept vigil at the tomb, feeling the weight of a silence so profound it seemed the very breath of God had been stilled. But now, the silence is shattered. The stone is rolled away. The tomb is empty.

He is Risen! Alleluia! It is the central, living reality of our faith. Without the Resurrection, our preaching would be in vain, and our faith would be empty. But because Christ is truly risen, everything is changed. What does this mean for us, here and now? First, it means that love has conquered fear. Second, it means that hope has overcome despair. Third, it means we are called to be witnesses.

As your pastor, my heart is full of gratitude tonight. Thank you for your faith, your perseverance, and your love for this parish family. Let us leave church not just remembering the Resurrection but carrying it with us. Let us be people of the Alleluia. Let us be people who, in the face of life's challenges, can say with the certainty of faith; "I have seen the Lord." May the joy of this Easter Sunday fill your homes and your hearts. Christ is Risen! He is Truly Risen!
Alleluia, Alleluia!

OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK



Collection Counters in April:

Kenny and Tracy O'Hara

Sunday Collection:
\$4,360.00

Mirror Collection:
\$30.00

Catholic Relief:
\$25.00

Holy Land:
\$250.00

◆ **CEMETERY CLEAN-UP**

Saturday, April 25, 2026 will be the first of three St. Mary's and St. Patrick's Cemetery Clean-up Days this year. Clean-up will begin at 9:30 am. Parishioners with loved ones interred in the cemeteries are requested to assist in the clean-up. As per the cemetery guidelines, relatives are required to maintain the headstones of their loved ones. Cemetery Board Members will be on hand to assist in cleaning, aligning, securing, and leveling headstones, as well as removing trash and unwanted flowers in preparation for the mowing and edging of the cemetery grounds. In the event of inclement weather, May 2, 2026, will be the alternative date. Cemetery Board Members include: Dan Witt, Danny Boman, Bonnie Parrigon, Donna Witt, Jason Barchak, Jarrod O'Hara, and Jerry Forgey.

◆ **OLD-FASHIONED PICNIC**

Raffle tickets are in the back of church. Each family is asked to sell 6 booklets. If you don't find an envelope with you name or want extra to sell, there are blank envelopes in the back of each box. If you need more, please contact Mellanie Carder at (417) 737-2812 or Claire Eaton at the church office. We are still needing a Trash and Treasures chairperson(s). Please reach out if you're interested in helping with it!

◆ **FIRST COMMUNION**

Briggs Barchak, Louis Boman, Eloise Eckhart, Piper Frey, Easton Washam, Liam Welters, Liam Prescott, Patrick Randall, Bostyn Ellis, Ruby Jones, Margarita Navarro Paz, Sawyer Pearce, and Hattie Saffer are all making their First Communion on April 12, 2026. Please keep them in your prayers while they receive this blessed sacrament and deepen their Catholic Faith!

◆ **PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

Registration is now open for preschool and pre-K classes, call the school office at (417) 476-2824 for more information. We still need a part-time teacher assistant for 1st and 2nd grade. Being an active Catholic is a requirement. We're also still looking for a music teacher volunteer.

◆ **TOTUS TUUS YOUTH PROGRAM**

Totus Tuus is a week-long Catholic youth program that is taking place at our near by parishes this year! This camp is for children in grades 1-12. It is Christ-centered, will have special devotions to Mary and the rosary, opportunities to encounter Christ in the sacraments, and engaging activities. It will be July 12-17, 2026 and will be held at Holy Trinity Parish in Aurora, MO. July 26-31, 2026 will be held at St. Lawrence Parish in Monett, MO. There will be pamphlets with more information in the back of church!

◆ **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

4/1 Gabe Seneker, 4/4 Jayci Fletcher, 4/4 Anna Navarro Paz, 4/6 Dereck Washam, 4/8 Crosby Cox, 4/8 Ambreia Brattin, 4/9 Baleigh Kleiboeker, 4/11 Jason Fletcher, 4/11 Lilly Boman, 4/12 Kole Fletcher, 4/12 Mary Lou Lombard, 4/18 Lowyn Barchak, 4/22 Zoe Gurley, 4/22 Virginia Waring, 4/26 Derrick Cox, 4/30 Bernice Cochran

◆ **PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Pat Chapman, Serenity Bristol, Tessie Holle, Paul Jasumback, Annie Fletcher, Teri (Heeter) England, David Rosebrough, Logan Abramovitz, Mary Ann Osterloh, Pam Miller, Debbie (Rakoski) Erwin, Gary Hawshaw, Chester Kirk, Linda VanEaton, Margie Gripka, Regina (Jasumback) Jung, Loretta Graskemper, Melissa(Campbell) Culp, Judy (Conley) Litril, Mary Catherine Miller, Melissa Cahalan, Andrea Kristek, Erin Hunt, Chris Feather, Susie Gasser, Margie Fenske, and Patty (Patternostro) Ireland, Kenneth and Kay Wroblewski, Kinslee Kennedy, Dave Dombroski.

◆ **FCA FUNDRAISER**

Purdy School's FCA Fundraiser Breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2026. It will be from 7:00 am- 12:00 pm in Purdy Schools Cafeteria. They have invited everyone to come enjoy breakfast and fellowship. To go orders are available and donations will be accepted at the door.

◆ **DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS**

The first ever diocesan Eucharistic Congress will be held at West Plains Civic Center, MO. To register got to :<https://dioscg.formstack.com/forms/decparticipantregistration>. Don't miss out on this awesome opportunity! We hope to see you there.



APPOINTMENTS

Saturday, April 11 4:00 pm Mass

Reader: Ron Dunaway
Servers: Witley Cahalan, Otto Cahalan, Lottie Sloan
E.M.: Jessica Cahalan, Tommy Cahalan, Cindy Witt, John Witt
Ushers: Doug Sloan, Mike Sloan, Carl King, Larry Gasser
Announcements: Cathy Brown

Sunday, April 12 8:30 am Mass

Readers: First Communicants
Servers: Family of First Communicants
E.M.: Family of First Communicants
Ushers: Family of First Communicants
Announcements: Robert Chapman

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

St. Mary's Home and School would like to extend a huge thank you to the Knights of Columbus and parishioners for all of the support shown at their Fish Fry! Without you all we wouldn't be able to continue throwing these fun events! Thank you!!



SPECIAL MOMENTS FROM THE OVER 65 DINNER!