



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

200 FRONT STREET, PIERCE CITY, MO 65723

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 26 - AUGUST 2, 2026

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR JULY 26 -AUGUST 2, 2026			
	DAY	TIME	FAMILY
ST. MARY'S	SATURDAY	4:00 pm	+ Anna Gasser Diem
	SUNDAY	8:30 am	+ Tom Cahalan
	MONDAY	10:00 am	
	WEDNESDAY	8:15 am	+ Bill Seufert
	FRIDAY	8:15 am	+ Gus Fenske
	SATURDAY	4:00 pm	+ Tory Davis
	SUNDAY	8:30 am	+ Toni Elbert
ST. AGNES	TUESDAY	8:30 am	+ Rosemary Boes
	THURSDAY	8:30 am	Health of Paul Mettlach
	SUNDAY	10:30 am	+ Robert Campbell

EVENTS OF THE WEEK	
JULY 29 WEDNESDAY	Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus Adoration and Mass at 8:15 am
JULY 30 THURSDAY	Finance Meeting at 6:30 pm
JULY 31 FRIDAY	Adoration and Mass at 8:15 am.
UPCOMING WEEK	
AUGUST 4 TUESDAY	PCCW Meeting at St. Mary's 6:00 pm.
AUGUST 5 WEDNESDAY	Knight of Columbus Meeting at 7:30 pm.
AUGUST 7 FRIDAY	First Friday Adoration at 5:00-7:00 pm.

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417 205 8617
FR SANU THOMAS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS BUS

One of our parishioners has a bus that seats 20 people. We plan to take that bus to Eucharistic Congress on August 15, 2026. We still have a couple of seats available, so please contact Jenifer Graves at (417) 635-4003 to claim a seat.

◆ WELCOME TO THE FAMILY FREDA WINTON

We extend our warmest congratulations to Freda Winton, who has been received into full communion with the Catholic Church. To make this decision at 83 years of age is a profound act of faith and a testament to a heart that has been seeking truth. Freda, your example inspires us to never stop growing in our faith. We thank God for leading you to our community, and we look forward to walking with you on this beautiful journey. May the Eucharist and the saints be your comfort and strength.

◆ MO BISHOPS ISSUE STATEMENT ON AMENDMENT 5

The Bishops urge voters to consider the moral principles that should guide their evaluation of the amendment. The Bishops emphasize that, “while the Church does not prescribe any particular tax model, she teaches that every system of taxation must serve the common good, be guided by justice and equity, and take into account each person’s ability to contribute.” They add that tax proposals should be judged by their impact on the poor and caution that systems relying heavily on regressive taxes, such as sales taxes, can place a disproportionate burden on lower-income households.

OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK

Collection Counters in July:

Jennifer Eaton and Rachelle Brown

Sunday First Collection:
\$4,530.00

Children's Collection:
\$19.00

♦ OCIA APPLICATION

We are now accepting applications.
Please get a form from the back of the church and submit it to the church office or Father Sanoop Thomas.

♦ PSR CLASSES

PSR class teachers needed!!! For more information or to sign up for teaching a class please contact Jenifer Graves at (417) 635-4003 or jenifer_graves@yahoo.com.

♦ GOOD CONFESSION

The basic requirement for a good confession is to have the intention of returning to God like the "prodigal son" and to acknowledge our sins with true sorrow before the priest.
Sin in my Life- Modern society has lost a sense of sin. As a Catholic follower of Christ, I must make an effort to recognize sin in my daily actions, words and omissions.
The Gospels show how important is the forgiveness of our sins. Lives of saints prove that the person who grows in holiness has a stronger sense of sin, sorrow for sins, and a need for the Sacrament of Penance or Confession. The Differences in Sins- Prodigal Son As a result of Original Sin, human nature is weakened. Baptism, by imparting the life of Christ's grace, takes away Original Sin, and turns us back toward God. The consequences of this weakness and the inclination to evil persist, and we often commit personal or actual sin. Actual sin- is sin which people commit. There are two kinds of actual sin, mortal and venial. Mortal sin- is a deadly offense against God, so horrible that it destroys the life of grace in the soul. Three simultaneous conditions must be fulfilled for a mortal sin: 1) the act must be something very serious; 2) the person must have sufficient understanding of what is being done; 3) the person must have sufficient freedom of the will.

We want to encourage all of our parishioners to take advantage of our new confessional. Please start coming to confession!!

♦ AUGUST MASS INTENTIONS

8/1- +Tory Davis, 8/2- +Toni Elbert, 8/5- +Mary Catherine Miller, 8/7- +Wilma Fenske, 8/9- +Dan & Caroline Boman. 8/12- +Donald Eimer, 8/14- +Maura Sparks, 8/15- NO MASS, 8/16- +Ed Flehmer, 8/19- +Tom Swift, 8/21- +Gus Fenske, 8/22- +Brenda Buchanan, 8/23- +John & Cecilia Eck, 8/26- +Pat Fenske, 8/28- +Don Gripka, 8/29- +Lawrence Fenske , 8/30- +Eugene Fenske

♦ ADULT FORMATION CLASSES

Our Adult Formation group will be offering Foundations of Faith: A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We will begin classes at St. Mary's Church cafeteria in Pierce City beginning September 20th after 8:30 am Mass and continuing every Sunday (unless notified) until the course is completed. Please contact Marcella Cooper by July 31st at (417) 489-2199 to register and to allow course materials to be ordered and received before classes begin.

♦ PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pat Chapman, Serenity Bristol, Tessie Holle, Paul Jasumback, Teri (Heeter) England, Roy Rosebrough, 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) Litrl, Melissa Cahalan, Andrea Kristek, Erin Hunt, Chris Feather, Kenneth and Kay Wrobleski, Kinslee Kennedy, Dave Dombroski, Patricia Cahalan, Lexi Eck, Alicia Parrigon, Jerry Hudson, Lillian Kristek, Phyllis Gasser, Dave Foster.

♦ DDF

As the campaign comes to a close, St. Mary's did well this year. A huge thank you to all those who gave and those who prayed for the success of the campaign for our diocese. An error in reporting of our total was done a few weeks back, sorry for any confusion. St. Mary's had a total of 61 donors for a total of \$11,530.00 towards our church goal of \$15,557.00. Thank you again for all the contributions and prayers.

♦ AUGUST BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES BIRTHDAYS:

Cade Flehmer 8/1, Wittley Cahalan 8/3, Jared Barchak 8/6, Dawnya Gibbs 8/8, Bryan Stellwagen 8/11, Bonnie Parrigon 8/17, Colten O'Hara 8/18, Oliver Cole 8/20, Mary Abramovitz 8/20, Kenny O'Hara 8/23, Chrishna Paul 8/23, Gail Brattin 8/25. Maelee Witt 8/27, Jennifer Garner 8/28, Allison Witt 8/29. Richard Cole 8/29, Harold Lombard 8/29. ANNIVERSARIES: Rick & Mary Jo Washam 8/3, Derrick & Beth Cox 8/4, Tommy & Jessica Cahalan 8/8, Tim & Patty Osterloh 8/12, Rick & Gail Brattin 8/31.

APPOINTMENTS

Saturday, August 1 4:00 pm Mass

Reader: Robert Chapman
Servers: Elias Prescott, Drake Gibbs, Kole Fletcher
E.M.: Cathy Brown, Lora Saffer, Ron Dunaway, Richard Ceselski
Ushers: Larry Gasser, Carl King, Ian Brottlund, Doug Sloan
Announcements: Lora Saffer

Sunday, August 2 8:30 am Mass

Readers: Cody Washam, Jocelyn Washam
Servers: Knox Ellis, McKinley Ellis, Simon Eckhart
E.M.: Dale Jasumback, Jerri Jasumback, Kenny O'Hara, Tracy O'Hara
Ushers: Rick Washam, Derek Washam, Jesse Cooper, Rex Cooper
Announcements: Jenifer Graves

Saturday, August 8 4:00 pm Mass

Reader: Ron Dunaway
Servers: Ellias Prescott, Drake Gibbs, Kole Fletcher
E.M.: Cathy Brown, Lora Saffer, Richard Ceselski, Dan Witt
Ushers: Carl King, Larry Gasser, Doug Sloan, Robert Chapman
Announcements: Cathy Brown

Sunday, August 9 8:30 am Mass

Readers: Hadley Barchak, Mary Abramovtiz
Servers: Quinn Barchak, Averi Caddell, Quinci Caddell
E.M.: Cari Caddell, Ralph Abramovitz, Adam Boman, Mellanie Carder
Ushers: Jim Barchak, Jason Barchak, Jared Barchak, Kodi Pearce
Announcements: Jared Barchak

Saturday, August 15 4:00 pm Mass

NO MASS DUE TO EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS
Sunday, August 16 8:30 am Mass

Readers: Grace Parrigon, Jenifer Graves
Servers: Jude Graves, Cade Flehmer, Ambreia Brattin
E.M.: Erin Flehmer, Mary Abramovitz, Jerri Jasumback, Mellanie Carder
Ushers: Brock Flehmer, Ralph Abramovitz, Dale Jasumback, Chris Jasumback
Announcements: Cody Washam

Saturday, August 22 4:00 pm Mass

Reader: Boonie King
Servers: Wittley Cahalan, Reese Cahalan, Otto Cahalan
E.M.: Tommy Cahalan, Jeeica Cahalan, John Witt, Cindy Witt
Ushers: Doug Sloan, Mike Sloan, Carl King, Larry Gasser
Announcements: Suzanne Sloan

Sunday, August 23 8:30 am Mass

ALL SCHOOLS MASS! ALL APPOINTMENTS WILL BE DONE BY THE SCHOOL CHILDREN AND THIER FAMILIES
Saturday, August 29 4:00 pm Mass

Reader: Lisa McDunner
Servers: Lottie Sloan, Elliot Witt, Kole Fletcher
E.M.: Dan Witt, Ron Dunaway, Richard Ceselski, Jessica Cahalan
Ushers: Tommy Cahalan, Doug Sloan, Mike Sloan, Larry Gasser

Announcements: Robert Chapman

Sunday, August 30 8:30 am Mass

Readers: Linda Fenske, Barbara Glouse
Servers: Will Garner, Blythe Garner, Ambreia Brattin
E.M.: Ralph Abramovitz, Mary Abramovitz, Jennifer Eaton, Jennifer Garner
Ushers: Adam Boman, Abram Boman, Jesse Cooper, Rex Cooper
Announcements: Mike Kaiser

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