Saint Mary's Catholic Church

THE BARRIERS THAT SEPARATE US

We live in a society that has many technological avenues for stimulation and entertainment, one in which the urban population exceeds the non-urban. It is curious that loneliness is a prevalent malady. It is easy to reach out and touch someone, we are told. But—in truth—it is not all that easy, and statistics from the mental health field will reinforce that opinion. Today's readings are about the ways in which we can authentically reach out: God touches Adam to create a mate and end his solitude; God-in-Jesus takes on human flesh and death in order that we might come to glory; Jesus reaches out to the children whom the disciples had tried to keep away, showing us the manner in which we must approach the loving embrace that awaits us in heaven. Until that day, however, we must remember that ours is a sacramental church, a church of signs of the love of God. And so we are called to reach out continually to ease the loneliness and the barriers that separate us from one another and, therefore, from the love of Christ.

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Mass Intentions For the Week

TUESDAY, October 5
Blessed Saint Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
5:15 pm Jacqueline Pulasky †

WEDNESDAY, October 6
Saint Bruno, Priest
7:00 am Justine Schulter †

THURSDAY, October 7
Our Lady of the Rosary
7:00 am Justin D. Monaghan †

FRIDAY, October 8
7:00 am Larry & Bert Kloeppel †
8:30 am David Straub †

SATURDAY, October 9
4:30 pm Donna Roberts †

SUNDAY, October 10
8:00 am Phil Harrison †
10:00 am St. Mary's Parish Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

ENCOURAGEMENT
As vital as oxygen is to the body, so is encouragement to the soul.
—Anonymous

Bulletin Advertiser of the Week

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This Week in Our Parish

MONDAY, October 4
10 am & 6 pm—Men's Bible Study (mr 1)
10 am & 6 pm—Women's Bible Study (mr2)
6:30 pm—RCIA (parish center)

TUESDAY, October 5
6:00 pm—PCCW Human Trafficking program

WEDNESDAY, October 6
7:00 pm—Choir Practice (church)

THURSDAY, October 7
7:30 am-7:00 pm—Adoration (church)

SUNDAY, October 10
Coffee & Donuts following each Mass
7:00 pm—High School Youth @ St. Peter's

NEEDED

ALTAR SERVERS
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
USHERS
LECTORS (especially 4:30 Mass)

If you have served before, we would love to have you back. If you are new to serving in a ministry or have been thinking about it, please answer our plea. Training will be provided. Sign-up sheets are on a table in the east side of the gathering area.

Thank you and God bless you!

September Income Report

September Income	Week 2 (6th-12h)	September Budget	Still Needed / Estimated Expense
Weekly Envelopes & ACH	15,758.80	70,083.34	Needed 31,488.74
Plate	69.00	666.67	Needed 537.67
Maintenance Estimated	1,518.76	3,000.00	Needed 1,518.74
Utilities Estimated	2,050.00	4,100.00	Needed 2,050.00

DIRECTORY ONLINE SCHEDULING AVAILABLE for OCTOBER

go to **www.ucdir.com**
Click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side,
enter **mo126**
enter **photos** in the Church Password field.
Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time.
If you have 6 or more in your family please use 2 consecutive time slots.

Please Pray For…

Josh Lordemann Jason Yost
Juliet Anreder Mary Schriever
Phyllis Wilson Judy Bashor
Shirley Chandler Doris Sweeney
Scott Grigsby Kerry Bishop
Lawrence & Susan Filosa
Patricia Williams Dorothy Lowry
Debbie Randall Mary Lou Timpe
Judy Clarkson Tracey Straub
Henry Schluter Joanne Bauni
Frank Slawinski Melissa Plant
Jennifer McKeough Doug Glynn
Scottie Black Sharon Reeve
Brenda Glynn Nancy Roark
Doloris Sonntag Sara Metts
Ann & Charlie Bunnell
Danny Crane Susan Koeppen
Richard Wilson Mike Tettamble Jr. & Sr.
George Grimm Katie Wilson
Luke Babcock Dick Graue
Pat & Ryan McShane
Jari Rusnack Jamie Wilson
Elizabeth Ruddock
Joyce Steuber Irene Marshall
Sharon Stribling Verle Gilbert
Kamron McKeough Marge Reynolds
Susan Jones Maureen McKeough

Members of the US Military

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Ryan Campbell, USN
AS2 Lisa McDonald, USN
CPT Mitch Wear, USArmy
Thomas Scheuerman, USArmy

Monday, October 4 at 2:15 pm on the grassy area in front of the school parking lot.

2021-2022 DIOCESAN CODES of CONDUCT ARE DUE OCTOBER 15

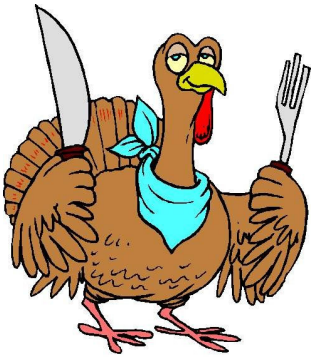
Thank you so much to all of you who have already turned in your Code of Conduct. As a reminder and request, the Code of Conduct is made available on July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year, and is required annually of any adult who regularly works or volunteers with minors and/or vulnerable adults, and is to be submitted to our office as soon as possible, and preferably before October 15, 2021.

"Those individuals who have not submitted their 2021-2022 Code of Conduct by December 31, 2021 are not in compliance and their VIRTUS account will be inactivated; therefore, they will not be eligible to work or volunteer with minors or vulnerable adults."

Donut Sunday in the Court Yard

Yes, you read that correctly. Weather permitting, Donut Sunday on October 10th will be outside following the 8:00 and 10:00 am Masses. Parish Council hopes this encourages many people to get a donut, use the benches and stay to chat with other parishioners. St. Mary's Knights of Columbus will host this fall outdoor event. If necessary, it will be moved inside the parish center.

Save the Date!



St. Mary's Turkey Dinner

Sunday, November 14th

* Dine in or Drive thru *

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Traditional Turkey Dinner
$8 per meal (cash or check)

Sign-up sheets are on a podium in the gathering area of the church, or you can sign-up by calling the parish office (417) 623-3333. You must sign-up on or before Tuesday, November 9th.

Masking remains recommended at St. Mary's

You no longer have to wear a mask if you have been vaccinated.
The distribution of Holy Communion will be returned to its proper place in the Mass.
The faithful will return to their pews after receiving Communion.
The Precious Blood will NOT be reinstated at this time.
Mass will end as it did pre-pandemic.
The Sign of Peace will be reinstated in a safe way at this time.
All weekend Ministers will be reintroduced **with** masks.
Donations will continue to be placed at the baptismal font and south exits.

This Weekend's Ministry Schedule *October 2-3*

4:30 Mass

Lector
Charlene Campbell
Volunteer

Usher
Scott Black
Jess Link
Steve Pokojski
Volunteer

Guitarist
Jeff Bruggeman

Cantor
Mary Lou Bruggeman

Eucharistic Minister
2 Volunteers

Altar Servers

8:00 Mass

Lector
Justin Coyne
Fred Wheeler

Usher
Greg Parrigon
Kasey Pliler
Craig Winters
Volunteer

Organist
Mary Ann Turk

Cantor
Jill Stamps

Eucharistic Minister
2 Volunteers

Altar Servers

10:00 Mass

Lector
Sharon Halsey-Hoover
David Hoover

Usher
Pam Black
Warren Black
Rick Kenkel
Volunteer

Organist
Maureen Mitchell

Cantor
Darlene Drury

Eucharistic Minister
2 Volunteers

Altar Servers

NOTE: Three Altar Servers and one or two Eucharistic Minister can be used at each Mass. You will however, need to hand sanitize and wear a mask.

Catholic Campus Ministry is back!

All college students in the Joplin area are welcome. We are meeting weekly after the 6 pm Sunday Mass at St. Peter's for food, socializing, and spirituality! We have some great events in the works coming soon, and we want you to be a part of it! Contact Fr. Brian if you have any questions. To be added to our contact list, email Becca Diskin at Diskin-B@mssu.edu.

Spread the word!

All are invited

Sister Jeanne Christensen, RSM, Sister of Mercy Advocate against Human Trafficking, will present a program about Human Trafficking. She will provide basic information on what it is, who is at risk and what to do if you suspect someone is being trafficked. Join us October 5th in the St. Mary's Parish Center at 6 pm. This program is being sponsored by St. Mary's PCCW and the Mercy Associates. Everyone is invited to attend. Please contact Patty Wheeler 417-434-6545 or Connie Walters 417-529-4769 for further information.

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ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP

YOUTH GROUP UPDATE:

Thank you to all who preordered and picked up burritos or took home some extras this past week-end. We so appreciate your support of our youth! Thank you to our youth group members and adults leaders who prepared/rolled/packaged and delivered close to 250 breakfast burritos! We hope you enjoyed them! We will offer them again on October 24th. We will not make them in November due to some of our youth and leaders attending the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis and because of the Thanksgiving holiday. Your generous donations assist our young people in attending conferences like NCYC, DYC (Diocesan Youth Conference), Steubenville and more! Thank you again for your support!

Sunday, October 10, at St. Peter's— 7:00 pm
*Breakfast Burritos TO GO 10/24
Wednesday, October 27, 7:00 pm—parish center— Halloween Party !!!!! Wear a costume !!!!!

Beginning September 18, 2021 through October 18, 2021, St. Mary's PCCW and St. Mary's Elementary School will be participating in the *BOX OF JOY* ministry in association with Cross Catholic Outreach, (several weeks ago we had a visiting priest from this organization). By donating items to be placed in 25 or more boxes given to us by Box of Joy, your family will bless children suffering from extreme poverty when together we can share the joy of Christmas and plant seeds of hope through the Gospel. We encourage every family to help with this service project. This project is also in need of a monetary donation of $9.00 per box to cover the cost of shipping each box to an individual child. In the foyer, you can pick up a list of needed items and/or an envelope for the monetary donation, bring the items or the envelope back no later than October 18, 2021. For more information, contact project leaders: Joanne Lown, principal of St. Mary's or Patty Wheeler, PCCW president.
You can also check out boxofjoy.com.

BOX OF JOY

CATHOLICS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES UNITE THROUGH *BOX OF JOY* MINISTRY TO SEND CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO CHILDREN IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. 61,422 CHILDREN RECEIVED BOXES OF JOY IN 2020

724 PARISHES, SCHOOLS, AND GROUPS PARTICIPATED

7 COUNTRIES SERVED: HAITI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, GUATEMALA, NICARAGUA, EL SALVADOR, HONDURAS AND GRENADA

1,352 TEAM JOY VOLUNTEERS HELPED ORGANIZE, COLLECT, TRANSPORT, AND PACK BOXES FOR SHIPMENT

THIS YEAR, ST. MARY'S WILL PARTICIPATE WITH YOUR HELP!!

JACS return to school: Guidance for Return to School information may be found on the JACS website: https://www.jacss.org/about/covid-19/ It will be found under the title: Letter from the Director – September 2021

First Tuesday
Join us on the First Tuesday of every month at **Club 609** for lunch, dinner, or the purchase of a gift certificate.
A portion of sales from the First Tuesday of the month support the JACS scholarship fund.

Volunteer(s) Needed
JACS is seeking a coordinator to manage our SCRIP gift card fundraising. SCRIP is a system the schools participate in that sells gift cards, and a percentage of sales comes back to our schools.
Duties may include

- Ordering gift cards
- Keeping the boxes stocked
- Coordinating individuals to sell after mass

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Marjorie Comer at mcomer@jacss.org or (417) 624-5003 ext. 207.

Now Hiring
St. Mary's Elementary School is looking for After School Care workers for this school year. Working at St. Mary's is a great part-time opportunity… afternoon hours with no weekends, time off for holidays, and casual dress that allows for interacting with our great students. Shifts are usually 2:30-5:30 p.m. Mondays—Fridays, 4-5 days a week. If you are dependable, responsible, and would like to work 12-15 hours a week caring for and spending time with fun and well-mannered children, contact Principal Joanne Lown at the school 623-1465 or jlown@jacss.org.

St. Mary's is looking for substitutes for the school year. If you would like to spend time surrounded by respectful, kind, and curious students, this might be a great opportunity for you! Time needed in the classroom varies depending on the teacher's needs. Lesson plans and schedules are always provided to ensure a great experience for everyone. Contact Principal Joanne Lown for more information at 623-1465 or jlown@jacss.org.

The following coaching positions are open for the 2021-2022 school year. If you are interested, please contact Mike Howard at: mhoward@jacss.org for details:

HS Baseball—Assistant Coach
HS Boys Basketball—Assistant Coach
HS Track—Assistant Coach

Try to meet all with peace and love.
-Sister Catherine McAuley, Sisters of Mercy founder

ADS

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Fr. Brian J. Straus, Associate Pastor

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass—4:30 pm
Sunday—8:00 and 10:00 am
Tuesday—5:15 pm
Wednesday through Friday—7:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00—4:00 pm or by appointment.

ADORATION

Thursday, 7:30 am—7:00 pm

PARISH STAFF

Stephanie M. Elbert, Secretary
John England, Custodian
Stephen Baich, Bookkeeper
Patty Wheeler, Parish Council President

DIRECTOR of Joplin Area Catholic Schools

Sister Julie Brandt, SSND, 624-5003

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

Joanne Lown, St. Mary Grade School (P-5)
Dr. Emily Yoakam, St. Peter's Middle School (6-8) and McAuley Catholic High School (9-12)

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Parents are to be registered in the Parish. Call for an appointment and visit. Preparation classes are required. Schedule will be given at appointment time.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrange for a date at the Parish Office at least 8 months prior to your wedding. All diocesan regulations must be fulfilled.

RCIA: For adults inquiring into the Catholic faith, to learn more about being Catholic, or interested in becoming Catholic. For more information contact the Parish Office.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK: Those that are preparing for surgery, suffer from a chronic illness, an addiction, or the effects of aging may receive this Sacrament by calling the Parish Office.

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Please e-mail bulletin articles to:
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Welcome!

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, whether longtime residents or newly arrived in the parish. If you are not registered, please fill out the form below and place in collection basket or mail to the Parish Office. ALL ADULTS, 18 YEARS OLD AND NO LONGER IN SCHOOL, MUST REGISTER IN THEIR OWN NAME.

NAME_____PHONE_____# in FAMILY_____

ADDRESS_____CITY_____ZIP_____

❑New Parishioner ❑New Address ❑New Phone ❑Moving, please remove from parish list.

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