

Saint Mary's Parish Community

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SAINT MARY'S PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

One of the hallmarks of Franciscan spirituality is to extend welcome to all. On Behalf of Fr. Kevin, Franciscan TOR and Parish Administrator of Saint Mary's and the members of the parish, we extend this heartfelt invitation to all who join us: No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church; no matter what your current family or marital situation; no matter what your past or present religious affiliation; no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, or color, you are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved here at Saint Mary's Church. In the words of Saint Francis Assisi, "May the Lord give you peace."

—Fr. Kevin, T.O. R., Deacon Jim, and Parish Staff

September 21, 2025

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ADMINISTRATOR *Father Kevin Queally, T.O.R.*

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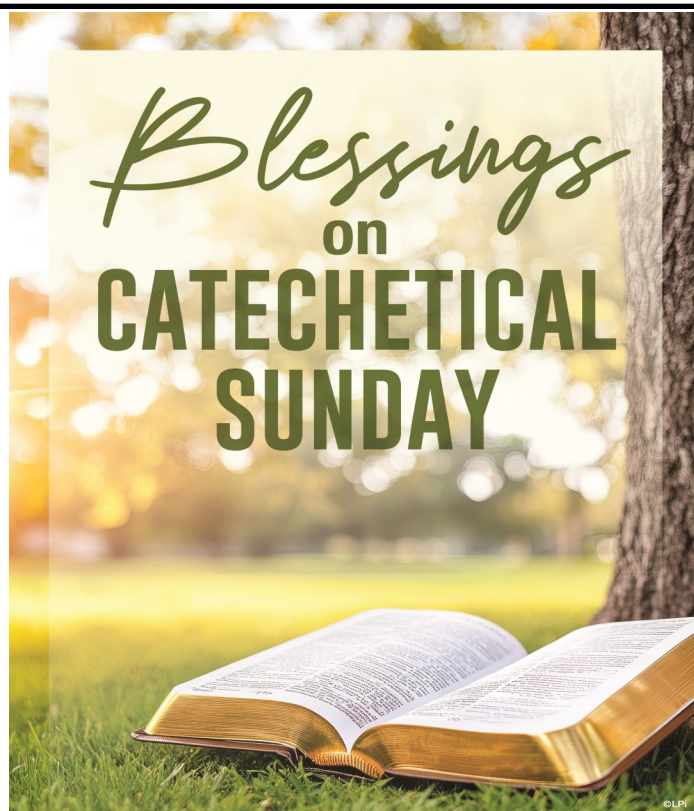
MASS SCHEDULE

Daily 8:30 AM
Monday through Friday

Sunday 4:30 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
Sunday

Sacrament of Penance 8:00 AM
Friday 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM
Saturday

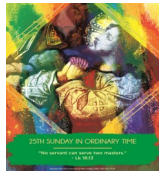
BULLETIN DEADLINE: MONDAY AT NOON



BAPTISM Call the Rectory to make arrangements for Pre-Baptism Classes early in your pregnancy (if this is your first child) and to arrange for the Baptism after your child is born. You must also be a registered and active member of the parish.

MARRIAGE In accordance with Diocesan directives arrangements must be made at least 9 months before the marriage date. All couples are required to attend Diocesan sponsored Pre-Cana sessions and to participate in the FOCCUS inventory. Call the rectory for information and schedules.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP We are always happy to welcome new parishioners. You may register any day, Monday through Friday, at the parish office. Registration, the practice of stewardship, and regular participation in the Eucharist indicates active membership and eligibility to act as a Godparent or Sponsor. Your stewardship of time, treasure, and talent is essential for the common good.



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

"No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon." —Lk 16:13

From the Pastor's Desk

PRAYER FOR TRUST

Jesus, With your gentle mercy, build my trust. Help me to believe you when you say you want good for me. In every season, give me grace. In every need, be my answer. Amen.
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THE ADULT BIBLE STUDY will begin on Thursday, October 2, at 5:30 PM. The title of the class is Bishop Robert Barron's "Priest, Prophet, King". The class will run for six weeks. A break will be at 6:30 PM with refreshments. If you are interested, please call the rectory at 814-749-9103 to sign up by September 30.

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY The next distribution is on Saturday, September 27. Registration begins at 9:00 AM. Distribution begins at 10:00 AM.

THE INTERFAITH COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE will be from September 28 to October 26. There will be grocery bags, with a list of suggested food items for Thanksgiving Dinner, available at the entrances of the church. Monetary donations are also accepted. Bags will be picked up on Mondays. If you have any questions, please contact Dave Rager at 814-243-8184. Your generosity will certainly touch the lives of the needy in our area.

RETIRED PRIESTS MEDICAL COLLECTION Next week's Diocesan Retired Priests' Medical Collection is the perfect opportunity to thank our priests who have served our spiritual needs over the years. Because of the shortage of active priests and no longer receiving support from a parish, they become responsible for their housing and necessary living expenses. Please support our active and retired priests by completing your parish envelope or by giving online at www.dioceseaj.org/giving (under Retired Priests Medical Collection).

MINISTERING TO THE POOR-BE AN AMBASSADOR OF HOPE Pope Francis started the Jubilee 2025 as the 'Year of Hope.' It is to be a sacred time for us to rest, rejuvenate, restore relationships, and to spread hope to all. Pope Leo continues the Jubilee year and asks how we can be Ambassadors of Hope in our parish communities. Please consider attending a workshop on "Ministering to the Poor." Topics include: the causes of poverty; what poverty looks like in your parish community; boundaries and learning about programs that are available to assist those struggling financially. For more information contact Cindy O'Connor, coconnor@dioceseaj.org or by calling 814-317-2621. **On-line Workshops:** Tuesday, 9/23/25, Link will be provided, 2:00-5:00 PM. **To register online, please use this link:** <https://forms.office.com/r/UkPK2GJw0d>

2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET GOAL: \$30,800.00; **TOTAL AMOUNT PLEDGED:** \$13,145.00; **TOTAL CASH RECEIVED:** \$12,685.00; **PLEDGE BALANCE:** \$460.00; **TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING FAMILIES:** 64; **PERCENT:** 16.25%. Thank you to the following who have responded to the *Catholic Ministries Drive*: Michaela Markovich. Please join her in supporting our parish and a select group of ministries that provide outreach to the poor, family life, youth, and seminarians. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, please use the envelopes available at all entrances to the church. Please mail your pledge card and gift directly to the diocese or you may give online at www.dioceseaj.org. On behalf of these vital ministries, thank you for your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure.

SUNDAY REFLECTION BENEATH THE SURFACE By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Jesus' parable of the untrustworthy steward sums up all our anxieties surrounding material wealth and the delicate balance we have to strike of caring for our physical needs while prioritizing our spiritual ones. LPi

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday September 22 8:30 AM	Weekday in Ordinary Time +Mary Sanderson (Month Mind) (Lynn and Paula Sanderson)
Tuesday September 23 8:30 AM	Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest Special Intention (Father Kevin)
Wednesday September 24 8:30 AM	Weekday in Ordinary Time +Sophie Bichko (Kathleen Livick)
Thursday September 25 8:30 AM	Weekday in Ordinary Time +Chris Forcellini (Mark and Roxanne)
Friday September 26 8:30 AM	Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs +Josephine Henshaw (Anniversary Remembrance) (Family)
Saturday September 27 4:30 PM	Anticipated Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time +Tina Jerome (Anniversary Remembrance) (Jerry Ray)
Sunday September 28 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Saint Vincent Volunteers Parish Family

SEPTEMBER 14 SUNDAY COLLECTION

Adult Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 4,290.00
Student Sunday Envelope:	5.00
Sunday Loose Donations:	214.00
Votive Candles:	13.00
Eucharistic Devotions Envelope:	10.00
Retired Priests Medical Envelope:	20.00
Saint Vincent de Paul Envelope:	10.00
Total:	\$ 4,562.00
Adult Sunday Envelopes: 172 out of 403 - 43%	

September 21 Stewardship Reflection Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

After today's readings, we can't say we have not been warned about the dangers of mixed-up priorities. God's Word is so very clear today on the necessity of putting Him first in all areas of our lives.

What can we learn from the curious parable to help us avoid the worldly thinking condemned in our First Reading, and give ourselves away as Jesus did as is described in our Second Reading? We know this 'bad steward' was clever and energetic. He put thought, prudence, and creativity into the plans he made for his self-serving ends and carried out his plans with great success.

What if we put that kind of effort into our own tasks as good stewards of all God's gifts to us? Into our ministries, into the ways we could make more time for prayer as individuals, as couples, as families, and as a parish? What if we got as creative as the 'bad steward' in the use of our finances so that we could give more generously to the poor and the advancement of God's kingdom on earth? That's our lesson and our challenge.



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