

My dear Church family,

Our journey always has struggles in which we need God first and then each other. Here is an example of God first. Before I went on a trip to visit a bunch of cousins in Texas, I prayed for strength to resist gossip and to turn my family away from it. I also wanted to be a good Catholic example and to talk frequently about our Lord. Did I succeed? Well, yes and no. I did talk to a cousin who is fallen away from the Catholic church and let her know that she should continue to educate herself in the faith and pray. We all get disappointed and hurt over things. I can only trust that our prayers take care of it. She said she misses the Eucharist, as she should. Don't let anything keep you from him!

I did go to confession after the trip for gossiping. I did better but not as well as I should have. I just want to stress how important it is to pray before you arrive in a situation where there is a temptation to sin. **Matthew 26:41**, "Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." I should have prayed about it more deeply and included it in my prayers to Mary in my Rosary. Remember how deeply our Lord prayed in the garden before his arrest?

I need to remember when those situations arise, that Jesus is right there with me and to walk away if I don't feel I have the strength and ability to correct the situation. I need to walk away and say, "Jesus help me, Jesus stay with me." I became so happy when afterwards one of my other cousins wrote her comments to all the cousins that "she loved this cousin being discussed and felt uncomfortable with the negative talk." She is Catholic and that is how I should have responded. Be the example!

I follow a page on Facebook, Catholics Online Class. It has taught me so much and is usually a 5 minute or less read. Here are two quotes from different lessons from a recent class that apply to the situation I shared above.

"Good intentions cannot survive the spiritual battle without prayer."

"A person who does not pray in hidden moments will struggle in public trials."

**May God bless you all,
Colleen Rafferty**

Looking Ahead- SAVE THE DATE	
June 8	Pilgrimage to St Meinrad
June 27-28	Bethlehem Wood Carvings
July 6-10	Vacation Bible School

St Vincent de Paul asks for you your generosity.

Through your almsgiving you are sowing seeds that grow far greater than you know. The money you place in the St. Vincent de Paul coin shake collection next weekend passes directly through us to our neighbors in need, the poor, homeless and lonely of our community, which spans over 25 miles from our church and the travelers passing through who are in need. Thank you from your St. Vincent de Paul team and the neighbors we serve.

Office Hours at St Mary: Erin is in the office on Tuesday and Thursday 9AM-4 PM (Fr Tom leaves about 3:00). Fr Tom's office hours are by appointment. Please call the office or the rectory to make an appointment.
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ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Most Holy Trinity

May 30-31, 2026

Welcome Visitors and Guests!

Bienvenidos a los Visitantes y Huéspedes!

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Saturday, May 30	5:00 PM	Trinity Sunday -Intention for Soul of Lala Shamirzaian
Sunday May 31	8:30 AM	Trinity Sunday -Intentions for the Soul of Bud Rafferty
Sunday 31 Mayo	6:00 PM	Santisima Trinidad - Para la gente de la parroquia
Monday, May 25	8:00 AM	Intentions: For the Soul of Beatriz Hernandez
Tuesday, May 26	Noon	Intentions: For the Soul of Andy Garrett
Wednesday, May 27	6:00 PM	Intentions: For the Soul of Lisa Arnold
Thursday, May 28	8:00 AM	Intentions: For the Soul of FR Gerald Baker
Eucharistic Adoration 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM		
Friday, May 29	8:00 AM	For the Souls of Lucille Burger
Saturday, May 30	5:00 PM	Corpus Cristi -Intention for Soul of Evangeline Zimmerman
Sunday May 31	8:30 AM	Copus Cristi -Intentions for the Soul of Fr Gerald Baker
Sunday 31 Mayo	6:00 PM	Corpus Cristi - Para la gente de la parroquia

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The deadline for Calendar submissions for the June Calendar Bulletin is 5/19/2026

If you have Mass intentions, please contact Fr. Tom or Erin in the office.

Mass Ministers: Please try to arrive at least 10 minutes prior to the start of Mass.

When/if you are unable to fulfill your scheduled Mass Ministry, please find a replacement Thank You, Fr. Tom

Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement (270) 586-7425 or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1).

The Diocese of Owensboro seeks to help all who have been sexually abused and especially those abused by a person working for the Church, paid or unpaid, either past or present. To report such abuse, please call the diocesan Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (270-852-8380). The revised sexual abuse policy, which explains fully the diocese's efforts to address sexual abuse in the Church, can be found in the back of the church on the parish bulletin board and on the diocesan web site (<https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>).

If you are sick, or know someone who is ill, we want to include them in our prayers.

Please contact Erin in the parish office on 270-586-4515 or by email so our parish can pray for you and your caregivers.

Please Remember in Your Prayers the Following Parishioners, Family and Friends: David Kelly, Regina Cozzy and Family, Cindy & John Janicek, Harry & Mae King, Richard Hearn, Judy Cates, Helen, Ed, and Ben Berry, Tom, Margaret, Roger, and Sherrie Berry, Gail Hall, Gail Briley, DeWayne, Susie, Kassidie, Katie, and Kennedie Kirkham, Mary, and Bill Sloan

Please keep our deceased family and friends in your daily prayers:

Patrick Collins, Gracie Scott, Carol Sue Durbin, Charles Andrew Yanov, Jason W. Bracy, Mary Barnes, Conner Sheahan, Marie Watson, Debbie Head, Crystal Becker, Andrew & Michael Garrett, Angela Berry Maynard, Sarah Drake, Basil Trouten Sr., Hilda Trouten, Dorthy O'Bryan, Joseph Hagan, Susie Wyatt, Miriam Harbin, Roger Farley, Dr A.V. Wilwayco, Frank & Marie Farmer, Keith Obriskie, Helen Garst, Lois Oshefsky, John Herrmann, Sharon Henderson, Sr Maretta Murphy IHM, Dr John Kelly, Ellie Mirgaux and Rose Vogt.

Mission Statement

We, the people of St Mary Catholic Church, are a welcoming Catholic community called to live our faith by celebrating Mass, Sacraments, and Prayers; proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ; seeking life-long faith and formation; sharing our time, talents and reaching out in compassionate service to others.

Dear Padre,

During Mass, is it proper for the faithful to raise our hands when pronouncing the words, “For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever”?

When the priest and people offer the Our Father together to God, the presider assumes an ancient posture of prayer, known as the *orans*—with arms extended and palms opened upward. After the Lord’s Prayer, the priest keeps his hands extended and says alone the embolism (“Deliver us, Lord...”). At the end, he joins his hands, and the people acclaim, “For the kingdom....” This acclamation is meant to be the people’s response to the embolism, and the priest remains silent for it. It would appear unnecessary for the faithful to now extend their hands during this acclamation—especially when it’s a response to an embolism prayer that just called for the presider to have extended his own hands and now has them joined together.

Although the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* doesn’t mention a specific congregational hand posture during this acclamation, it speaks in favor of “what serves the common spiritual good of the People of God, rather than private inclination or arbitrary choice,” stating that a common bodily posture “is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community gathered together for the sacred Liturgy: it both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants” (*GIRM* 42). ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org



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Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday June 1 <i>St. Justin, Martyr</i> 2 Pt 1:2-7 Mk 12:1-12	Thursday June 4 <i>Weekday</i> 2 Tm 2:8-15 Mk 12:28-34	Sunday June 7 <i>The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)</i> Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a 1 Cor 10:16-17 Jn 6:51-58
Tuesday June 2 <i>Weekday</i> 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18 Mk 12:13-17	Friday June 5 <i>St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr</i> 2 Tm 3:10-17 Mk 12:35-37	
Wednesday June 3 <i>St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs</i> 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12 Mk 12:18-27	Saturday June 6 <i>Weekday</i> 2 Tm 4:1-8 Mk 12:38-44	



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

To those in power, I repeat: listen to the voice of conscience! The apparent victories

achieved with weapons, which sow death and destruction, are in reality defeats and never bring peace or security! God does not want war, he wants peace, and he strengthens those who are committed to leaving behind the spiral of hatred and taking the path of dialogue.

ANGELUS, ROME, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Last Call—We need your Senior’s name (High School or College) ASAP for the Bulletin and for the reception. Please call the office at 270-586-4515 or email to stmaryfranklinky@gmail.com

2026 Pilgrimage to ST MEINRAD ARCHABBEY & IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Lunch at Schnitzelbank German Restaurant, Jasper, IN
MONDAY JUNE 8, 2026, Leaving St. Mary at 8:00 AM There will be Mass at 8:00 AM celebrated by the Fathers of Mercy.
SIGN-UP FORMS are on the Minister Table in the Parish Center

Good News!

May 31, 2026
The Most Holy Trinity (A)

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9 / 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 / John 3:16-18

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

The Christian confession of a triune God cannot be explained, it can only be believed. It is not a cop-out to proclaim that this belief is rooted in mystery. Mystery is the essential language and experience of belief. We lose something when we try to explain a mystery instead of embracing it. It may make us uncomfortable; it may provoke more questions than answers. Regardless, it does not suggest the weakness of mystery but rather the beauty, the wonder, and the awe.

Embracing belief and living as a person of faith is a singular journey. You cannot believe for someone else, and that person, even one you dearly love, cannot believe for you. It is also important to understand that as singular as the journey of faith may be, it ultimately ends in community. Belief does not isolate a person, but rather invites a person to connect with others who also walk in faith.

The community/communion of the triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—is the perfect witness to the truth that mystery creates. One God, three divine persons. The Eucharist that we celebrate on this day proclaims the unity of our belief—to the Father, through the Son, by the power of the Holy Spirit. ●

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Eternal rest grant unto Mike Glodoski. May he rest in peace. Arrangements are still pending.

As of 05/26/2026			
Budget Needs 2025-26	Weekly	\$ 4,038	Budget YTD Needs \$ 183,750
Received last week		\$ 2,522	Received YTD \$ 183,624
Difference		\$ (-1,516)	\$ (-634)
On Going Projects	Last Week	\$ 27	YTD \$ 4,395

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 The Most Holy Trinity 8:30 AM Mass	1 8:00 AM Mass	2 10:30-2PM SVDP Noon Mass	3 6:00 PM Mass	4 8:00 AM Mass	5 6:00 PM 1st Friday	6 8:00 AM 1st Saturday Mass 12:00 Wedding- Sanchez-Narveaz 3:30 Confessions 5:00 PM Mass

Mass Attendance— 5/23 5:00 PM- 63 5/25 8:30 AM-90 5/24 6:00 PM-110

Please pray for our military: Jack Jeffers, Army, Ft Carson, Colorado Springs, CO.; Eric Rafferty, Air Force, England; Korbin Bray, US Navy, Japan; Capt. Ryan Berry, USMC California; Jonathan Thompson, Navy, Jacksonville, FL; Ariel Molina Jr, Marines, Pensacola, FL.

Please call the office to add a name

Prayer For Our Men and Women in Military Service: O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity, and devotion to the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our factories, our buildings, and all those within from harm and peril. Protect our land and its people from enemies within and without. Grant an early peace with victory founded in justice. Instill in the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere a firm purpose to live forever in peace and good will towards all. Amen