

Hello, my brothers and sisters in Christ!

The wounds of Jesus Christ are the only wounds that heal! I’m here to testify! Who can hear me? It paid the debt that held my life! It cleared the ledger! I’m here to testify! Who can hear me? Thank God for the Blood!!

He made me for his praise! And He looks at me with eyes of Grace through all my WONDERING DAYS! I don’t have a dime, but I am His, and I’m eternally rich, for I was purchased by His Blood!!!!

I build my house on His promise and though I may fail Him, He will NEVER fail me! I must believe in the Lord! Help me with my unbelief! Y’all that know my story know this is true! I tried to buy my peace of mind, and I built an altar to my name, but when the worries came like fire, all my idols (Buddha) burst into flames! I lost my grip, I lost my way, I was wandering in the dark, until I put all my hope in the Savior’s mark! I’m here to testify, who can hear me?

Some put their trust in a chariot and others in horses, but I put my trust in the Lord! I stand on the Rock that will save me! Who can hear me? My praise was conditional. It was circumstantial. If the lights were bright and things were good, then I would give God a chance. But I found my Savior one night on a crucifix all alone, staring at a rosary I had just bought, before I looked at Jesus with a crown of thorns.

In a drunken stupor, I knelt before His throne! I asked Jesus to guide me, and I knew then that I was not alone! Everything I have! Everything I am! My wife, my children, I owe to Him! I don’t have much earthly means, but I’m rich in love……. God has given that to me! Mary, his Mother, led me to Him as I cried out “Blessed Be the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit! These 3 are 1!

My past belongs to Calvary! Alleluia!

Your brother and fellow sufferer in Christ ~ Eli

Office Hours at St Mary: Erin Denny is in the office on Tuesday and Thursday Monday 9AM-3:00 PM Fr Tom only Tuesday 9AM-4 PM (Fr Tom leaves about 3:00). Thursday 9Am-4 PM Fr Tom’s office hours are by appointment. Please call the office or the rectory to make an appointment.	Ladies Guild: President –Sheila Jeffers, Secretary- Terri Tyler, Treasurer- MaryAnn Forney Religious Education Committee: DRE- Robin Clark, Maria Molina, Hannah Clark, Fabiola Humphrey, and Haley Danehy. Archivist- Sheila Harrington and Marian Becker, Librarian- Kathleen Kaapcke
Building and Grounds Committee: Fr Tom Buckman, Mark Pais (Chair) David Duncan, Kenneth Bracy, Allan Cravalho, Casmiro Moratin, and Thom Boyne, and Josue Cabrera	Music Director- Joshua Wagner stmaryccmusic@gmail.com Cantors: Valerie McGowen, and Margaret Wolter Worship/Liturgy Committee: Fr. Tom Buckman, Margaret Wolter (Chair), and Patti Hood
Administration & Finance Committee Meets 3rd Thursday @ 5:00 PM Chairman- Duane Wolter, Patti Hood, John Janicek, and Darrell Fenley	Parish Pastoral Council: Normally Meets 4th Monday @ 6:00 PM Chairperson: Ninoska Moratin, Vice Chairman- Julius Foncha Secretary- Tibor Laky Ken Bracy, Sandra Bracy, and Jose Angel Noguez.
Evangelization Ministry: Fr. Tom Buckman, Duane Wolter (Chair), LTC John Wargo, Eli Gantt, Colleen Rafferty, Robert Loza and Killian Baptiste	

November is set aside to pray for our beloved dead. Bring pictures of deceased loved ones and place them on the memorial table. Print names of the deceased on the wooden hearts and they will be prayed for at Mass. Mass offering envelopes can be completed and placed in the basket. May they rest in peace. The Requested donation is \$5/Mass.

The prayer list was cleared on November 1st. If you would like someone added to the list please call or email Erin at the office or you can email to stmaryfranklinky@gmail.com

St. Mary Catholic Church

November 15-16, 2025

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome Visitors and Guests!
Bienvenidos a los Visitantes y Huéspedes!
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Saturday, November 15	5:00 PM	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time– Intentions: For the Soul of Eleanor Mirgaux
Sunday, November 16	8:30 AM	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time –Intentions: For the Soul of Angela Berry Maynard
Sunday, November 16	6:00 PM	33rd Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario- Para la gente de la parroquia
Monday, November 17	8:00 AM	Intentions-For the Soul of Roger Farley
Tuesday, November 18	Noon	Intentions: For the Soul of Peggy Wolter
Wednesday, November 19	6:00 PM	Intentions: For the Soul of Mr. & Mrs. Leon Travis
Thursday Adoration 9:00 AM – 10PM		
Thursday, November 20	8:00 AM	Intentions: For the Soul of Vito Natelo Kubino
Friday, November 21	8:00 AM	Intentions: For the Soul of John D Heffernan
Saturday, November 22	5:00 PM	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe– Intentions: For the Soul of Crystal Becker
Sunday, November 23	8:30 AM	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe –Intentions: For the Soul of Gracie Helen Scott
Sunday, November 23	6:00 PM	Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey Del Universo- Para la gente de la parroquia

The deadline for Calendar submissions for the December Calendar Bulletin is 11/25/25
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: Richard Hearn, Judy Cates

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

You are invited to serve people in need in our St Mary Parish by joining the Society of St Vincent de Paul. Helping us provide people in our Parish area needing food, rental assistance, utility assistance, and other types of support is a rewarding experience. Do you feel it's your time to more fully live your Catholic convictions and give back to Jesus for all you have received? Come join us this Tuesday, November 18th at 10AM in the parish center to see what we do for our neighbors in need. God bless you for all you do in his name.

The Worship Committee is looking for new members!

Help us plan our Liturgical Celebrations!!

We meet on Wednesday evenings for approximately one hour after the 6 PM Mass. We generally meet 4 to 5 times a year.

OUR NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12 AT 7:00 PM

Please join us and see if you would like to become a member! Questions?? Call or text Margaret Wolter on 954-629-8209

St. Mary is interested in participating at the "Room in the Inn" serving Franklin's homeless community if someone is willing to coordinate volunteers. For more info contact the Parish Office.

In lieu of flowers or other gifts for church members who have lost a loved one, we humbly ask that donations be made to the St. Mary Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Your generosity will offer meaningful support to those in need in our community and honor the memory of the departed. The family of the deceased will decide how the gifts received by our Conference will be acknowledged to the sender. They will also receive a list of all donations received. In Jesus' Name, we have included this announcement in the bulletin. Blessings from your St Vincent de Paul Conference.



The St Mary Winter Coat Drive will benefit the St Theresa Thrift Store in Bowling Green. Bring in your GENTLY used men’s, women’s and children’s winter coats, hats, and gloves. Place them in the special box in the Parish Hall. For more information contact Fr. Tom Buckman. Thank you for your generosity.



The Ladies Guild will have a meeting this Sunday at 3PM to put together the Thanksgiving Baskets for needy families. All items need to be placed on the table in the corner of the Parish Hall by 3PM Sunday.

As of 11/9/2025							
Budget Needs 2024-25		Weekly	\$	4,038	Budget YTD Needs	\$	76,371
Received last week			\$	2,400	Received YTD	\$	71,625
Difference			\$	(-1638)		\$	(4,746)
On Going Projects		Last Week	\$	57	YTD	\$	2,128
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
16 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 AM Mass 6:00 PM Misa	17 8:00 AM Mass	18 SVDP 10:30-2 PM Noon Mass 6:30 PM Renovation Committee Mtg.	19 6:00 PM Mass Rel. Ed	20 8:00 AM Mass Eucharistic Adoration 9:00AM-10:00 PM 4PM Admin Comm. Mtg 6:00 PM OCIA	21 8:00 AM Mass	22 Noon Baptisms 3:30 Reconciliation 5:00 PM Mass	
Mass Attendance-- 5:00 PM Mass 11/8 67 8:30 AM Mass 11/9 87 6:00 PM Mass 11/9 95							
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, North Carolina. Please call the office to add a name.							

Dear Padre,

Is it a sin to swear if I'm not taking the Lord's name in vain?

As hard as it might be to comprehend, not every bad habit is a sin. Human weakness is sometimes nothing more than human weakness. An exclamation of anger or frustration is often nothing more than an expression of how you feel. When we assign “sin” to every human action or imperfection, we trivialize sin. When we see sin around every corner and in every possible human interaction, we might very well become numb to the presence of real sin when it occurs. The possibility of sin is a wonderful motivator to help us adjust our choices and change our behaviors, but it need not be the only option.

Monitor your speech because you want to be a good person, a mature person, a caring person. That is a virtuous reason and worth the effort. At the same time, remain vigilant, as any good person who desires to be in relationship with the Lord, and choose behaviors that model a good Christian life. Examine your choices and decisions, and when you recognize the presence of sin, be willing to acknowledge that it is sinful, confess it, and then graciously accept the forgiveness and mercy of the Lord. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org



Do you have a question for the Padre?

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
November 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious 1 Mc 1:10–15, 41–43, 54–57, 62–63 Lk 18:35–43	November 18 Weekday 2 Mc 6:18–31 Lk 19:1–10	November 19 Weekday 2 Mc 7:1, 20–31 Lk 19:11–28	November 20 Weekday 1 Mc 2:15–29 Lk 19:41–44	November 21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 1 Mc 4:36–37, 52–59 Lk 19:45–48	November 22 St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr 1 Mc 6:1–13 Lk 20:27–40	November 23 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 2 Sm 5:1–3 Col 1:12–20 Lk 23:35–43



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Relations between the Catholic Church and Muslims have been marked by a growing commitment to dialogue and fraternity, fostered by esteem for these our brothers and sisters.... This approach, based on mutual respect and freedom of conscience, is a solid foundation for building bridges between our communities.

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