

To My Brothers and Sisters of St Mary

The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney and a handful of Catholic Laymen who gathered in the basement of St. Mary’s Catholic Church in New Haven, Connecticut. Their purpose was to set up a parish-based lay organization to provide financial support in the form of insurance benefits for families overwhelmed by illness or the death of the family breadwinner. Today we have grown from one local unit, or council to over 14,000 councils throughout the world. We now have 1.9 million members, many of whom are actively involved in many volunteer service programs for their parishes, communities, their own families, young people, and one another. The Knights of Columbus has been cited by Popes and other world leaders for support of the Church, for programs of Catholic education and evangelization, for civic involvement, and for aid to those in need. We are the World’s Largest Organization of Catholic Men and Their Families. We are a Catholic fraternal organization based on the principals of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. Our Motto: Protecting Families for Generations.

These Men, They Call Knights, just who are these guys? We are your friends and neighbors. We sit next to you at mass, serve as Eucharistic ministers, lectors, and lead church social events. We all support the Catholic Church through service to others.

Who can become a Knight? The only requirement for becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus is that you are a practicing Catholic male who is over 18 years old and in good standing with the Church.

What are the benefits of Knighthood? As a Catholic fraternal organization, the Knights of Columbus supports the Church, family, and helps improve our community. These important programs provide opportunities for personal growth, fun, and fellowship. Knights of Columbus members develop leadership skills and use their personal talents to benefit the Church, community, youth, and family. The Knights of Columbus voluntary insurance program provides Knights families with excellent coverage and carries the highest Standard and Poor performance rating with over \$92 billion of insurance in force.

So, maybe it’s time YOU become a Knight!

For more information, contact me, Duane Wolter 954-591-1400, Darrell Fenley 270-647-0073, Keith Mueller 270-791-0189, or me 615-992-8257.

Your Brother in Christ, Ricard Mahoney

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- Marian Becker, Sheila Harrington, and Joann Bradford Librarian- Kathleen Kaapcke
Building and Grounds Committee: Fr Tom Buckman, Mark Pais (Chair) David Duncan, Kenneth Bracy, Allan Cravalho, Casmiro Moratin, and Thom Boyne	Music Director- Joshua Wagner 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- to be elected Ken Bracy, Sandra Bracy, Tibor Laky, and Jose Angel Noguez.
Evangelization Ministry: Fr. Tom Buckman, Duane Wolter (Chair), LTC John Wargo, Eli Gantt, Colleen Rafferty, Robert Loza and Killian Baptiste	

Ministry Appreciation Dinner

A ministry Appreciation Dinner, for all who share their Time and Talents to the ministries of any kind, will be held on Monday October 6th at 6:30 PM. Family members are welcome to attend as well. Please sign up in the Parish Hall before October 5th. Contact Fr. Tom Buckman for more information.



St. Mary Catholic Church

September 27-28, 2025

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome Visitors and Guests!

Bienvenidos a los Visitantes y Huéspedes!

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The deadline for Calendar submissions for the September Calendar Bulletin is 9/26



Saturday, September 27	5:00 PM	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time– Intentions: For the Soul of Michael Garrett
Sunday, September 28	8:30 AM	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time –Intentions: For the Soul of Dylan & Breanna Hay
Sunday, Septiembre 28	6:00 PM	26 th Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario - Para la gente de la parroquia
Monday, September 29	8:00 AM	Intentions-For the Soul of Carson Holmes
Tuesday, September 30	Noon	Intentions: For the Soul of Jason W Bracy
Wednesday, October 1	6:00 PM	Intentions: For the Soul of Joyce Alvey
Thursday Adoration 9:00 AM – 10PM		
Thursday, October 2	8:00 AM	Intentions: For the Soul of Christopher Boarman
Friday, October 3	6:00 PM	1 st Friday Mass- Intentions: For the Soul of Bro. Casimir Gundlach
Saturday, October 4	8:00 AM	1 st Saturday Mass-Intentions: Gracie Helen Scott
Saturday, October 4	5:00 PM	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time– Intentions: For the Soul of Andy Garrett
Sunday, October 5	8:30 AM	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time –Intentions: For the Soul of Daniel Davidson
Sunday, Octubre 5	6:00 PM	27 th Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario - Para la gente de la parroquia

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: Gladys Wetherby, Donnie Murray, Jane Buehne, Donna Taylor, Denise Clark, Harry King, Daniel Murphy, Carol Ritter, Nicholas Pandzich, Barbara Ferguson, Darrell Fenley, Gail Briley, Savanna Carillon, Bill and Mary Sloan, Margaret Berry, Freddy Coward, Cindy Janicek, John Janicek, The Sheahan Family, Jason Lee, Don and Diane Blocker, Tojo Lewis, Sherry, Tom, Ed, Jamie, Helen, and Ben Berry, David & Marcie Caruthers, Pete Stoll, Ray Russell, Lewis Garst, Robert, Megan, and Matthew Maynard, Dewayne, Susie, Kennidie, Kassidie & Katie Kirkham, Tom & Doris Cozzy Jr., Regina & Tom Cozzy Sr., Delores Monroe, William York, Tesia Wooten, Gail & Darryl Hall, Mae King, , Sr. Donna Schlaff, Joann Bradford, Major Bradford, Scot Duckworth, Dick and Diane Rossiter, Roger Berry, Patti & Charlie Gibson, family of Carol Sue Durbin, Bobby Berry, Rhonda Barrow, Robert Matthews, and Wesley Nugent,

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.

The Choir Wants You!

Do you enjoy singing? The Saturday 5:00 PM and Sunday 8:30 AM choirs are looking for new members! If you're interested in joining, please contact Joshua Wagner at 859-412-8759

As of 09/21/2025						
Budget Needs 2024-25 Weekly			\$ 4,038	Budget YTD Needs		\$ 48,417
Received Last Week			\$ 3,620	Received YTD		\$ 43,782
Difference			\$ (-418)			\$ (-4,635)
On Going Projects Last Week			\$ 157	YTD		\$ 1,410
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 AM Mass 6:00 PM Misa	29 8:00 AM Mass	30 10:30-2 SVDP Noon Mass	1 6:00 PM Mass 6:30 PM Religious Ed	2 8:00 AM Mass <i>Eucharistic Adoration 9:00AM-10:00 PM</i> 6:00 PM OCIA	3 First Friday 5PM Adoration 6:00 PM 1st Friday Mass	4 8:00 Am 1 st Saturday Mass Noon Baptisms 3:30 Confessions 5:00 PM Mass
Mass Attendance-- 5:00 PM Mass 9/20 78 8:30 AM Mass 9/21 80 6:00 PM Mass 9/21 112						
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, Parris Island, SC. Please call the office to add a name. 						

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 this 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.

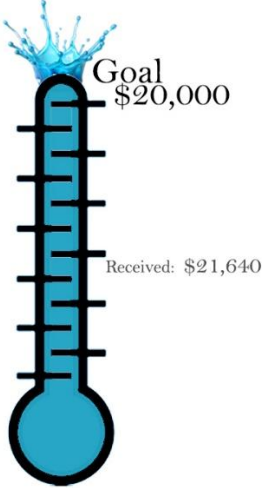
Classes for OCIA, the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults as well as children and teens have begun. It's not too late to join us. Please contact Fr. Tom Buckman or Maria Molina for more information into joining the Catholic Church or Baptized Catholics over age 8 who are not fully initiated.

Save the Date: The Fall Taster’s Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22! Don’t miss this wonderful event. Flyers will be available soon. Invite all your friends! We especially need volunteer drivers to deliver meals from 10-12:30PM. We will need salads sides, and desserts to round out the meal. Notify Sheila Jeffers at 212-859-4381 or sign-up sheets will be on the Mail Table by October 4th.

HOW CAN YOU SERVE?
If you would like to be an aide for K-5th grade or a substitute teacher for Religious Education on Wednesday Evenings, please contact the parish office or Robin Clark. Thank you!

The Parish Mission entitled “**Why Be Catholic**” will be October 27-29, 7:00 pm. Father Ken Geraci, Fathers of Mercy will be the Mission Priest.

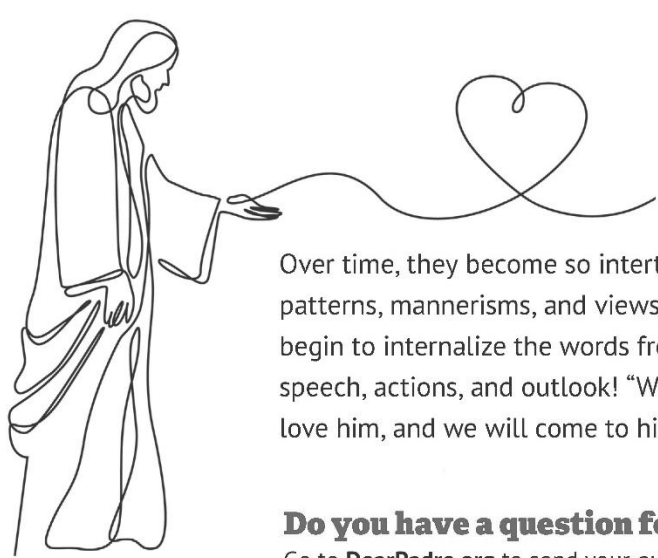
To date we have received \$21,640 towards our goal of \$20,000. Your generosity and faithfulness are overwhelming!!



Dear Padre,

Why does my parish priest preach about love practically every Sunday?

“Through the course of the liturgical year, the homily sets forth the mysteries of faith and the standards of the Christian life on the basis of the sacred text” (*Lectionary*, 24). A translation of the English word “love” appears in the Bible more than 500 times; by comparison, “sin” appears approximately 400 times. Thus, insofar as the homily “should be an explanation of some aspect of the readings from sacred Scripture” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 65), God’s word on “love” is far too prevalent to overlook.



Pope Francis called God’s word “a love letter, written to us by the One who knows us best.” In the Bible, this God who desires to bestow his love on us (See 1 John 3:1), is essentially telling us, “How do I love thee? Let me count the ways.” How we love God in return may be likened to two partners in a committed relationship.

Over time, they become so intertwined that they can even assume each other’s speech patterns, mannerisms, and views. Likewise, for those who love God, over the years we can begin to internalize the words from God’s “love letter” and reflect them in our Christian speech, actions, and outlook! “Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him” (John 14:23). ●

Fr. Byron Miller, 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*.



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

In our day, there is a widespread thirst for justice, a desire for authentic fatherhood and motherhood, a profound longing for spirituality, especially among young people and the marginalized, who do not always find effective means of making their needs known. There is a growing demand for the Church’s social doctrine, to which we need to respond.

ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 17, 2025

Monday September 29 <i>Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels</i> Dn 7:9–10, 13–14 or Rv 12:7–12ab Jn 1:47–51	Thursday October 2 <i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i> Neh 8:1–4a, 5–6, 7b–12 Mt 18:1–5, 10
Tuesday September 30 <i>St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i> Zec 8:20–23 Lk 9:51–56	Friday October 3 <i>Weekday</i> Bar 1:15–22 Lk 10:13–16
Wednesday October 1 <i>St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i> Neh 2:1–8 Lk 9:57–62	Saturday October 4 <i>St. Francis of Assisi</i> Bar 4:5–12, 27–29 Lk 10:17–24
	Sunday October 5 <i>Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Hb 1:2–3; 2:2–4 2 Tm 1:6–8, 13–14 Lk 17:5–10



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