

Mass Schedule
May 9, Saturday
 6:00pm Mass
 In honor of All Parishioners
May 10, Sunday
 9:30am Mass
 In memory Colleen Dunne
 11:00am Mass [Spanish]
 In memory of Antonio Martinez
May 12, Tuesday
 8:00am Mass
 In memory of Melissa Cole
May 13, Wednesday
 6:00pm Mass
 In memory of Roger Specking
May 15, Friday
 8:00am Mass
May 16, Saturday
 6:00pm Mass
 In honor of All Parishioners
May 17, Sunday
 9:30am Mass
 In Honor of St Mary School Graduates
 11:00am Mass [Spanish]
 In memory of Ramiro Rodriguez Sr.

Confessions
 Sunday 8:30am-9:15am
 Wednesday 5:15pm-5:45pm

Adoration
 Wednesday 8am-8pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
MAY 10, 2026

Sunday
 Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
 1 Pt 3:15-18
 Jn 14:15-21

Monday
 Acts 16:11-15
 Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday
 Acts 16:22-34
 Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday
 Acts 17:15, 22—18:1
 Jn 16:12-15

Thursday
 Acts 1:1-11
 Eph 1:17-23
 Mt 28:16-20

Friday
 Acts 18:9-18
 Jn 16:20-23

Saturday
 Acts 18:23-28
 Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday—Acension
 Acts 1:1-11
 Eph 1:17-23
 Mt 28:16-20

	6:00 PM Mass 5/16/2026	9:30 AM Mass 5/17/2026
Servers	Bradley Johnson John VanDon	AnnaMae Worthum Hudson Colton
Lector	Roseanne Livingston	Sandra Kelley Melissa McPherson
EM	Stephen Posey Karen Ussery	Kem Drake Candi Rodriguez
Gift Bearers	Barry	Holmes
Ushers	Gonzalez	Inman
Refreshments following 9:30am Mass: Inman		

St. Mary Church Collection Thank you!			
	Week	Collection	Expenses
Offertory	April 26, 2026	\$5,986.00	\$5,000.00
Building Fund	May 2026	\$60,450.00	

Food drive results:
 We collected 51 food items and \$430.76 for Griffin Memorial food pantry. Thank you

Special Collections:

- Indian Missionary Society—May 9/10th
[Fr. Aby's Order]

Building Fund donation envelops are available in the pews.

New Members If you would like to become a part of the Saint Mary Parish family please fill out a New Member Form. These forms can be found at the entrance of Church. You may bring it to the Parish office or place it in the collection basket at Mass.

Baptism The Diocese of Little Rock requires that any child age 7 and over must complete RCIA prior to receiving sacraments. Baptism will be announced a week before the actual date of baptism to give sufficient notice for those wishing to participate.

Matrimony Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment with the Pastor or Deacon Ricardo at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date. Church law, as well as Diocesan and Parish Policy, require that certain guidelines be met before a wedding may be scheduled.

Christian Burial Please call the Parish office before making funeral arrangements to confirm the availability of the Church and a Priest if a funeral Mass is to be celebrated.

Anointing of the Sick Please contact or have someone contact the Parish office if you are hospitalized or seriously ill. Due to privacy laws hospitals do not notify churches when patients are admitted. Catholics are encouraged to seek the Sacrament in advance of scheduling surgery.

First Communion, First Reconciliation, and Confirmation The Diocese requires two years of preparation in a Catholic School or Parish Religious Education program.

Prayer Request
 Please pray for Fr. Aby, Deacon John and Deacon Ricardo. Also Fr. Nazarus, Fr. Josh, Fr. Stephen, Fr. Mike, Fr. John, Fr. Les, Fr. Alejandro, Fr. Payden, Fr. Matt, and all seminarians, deaconate candidates and the religious brothers and sisters from our Diocese.

Also please remember in your prayers:
 Charles Dachs, Bob Marcotte, Edward McCoy, Allen Hagen, Larra Shepard, David Huynh, Juanita Rodriguez, John and Marva Varner, Laura Hagen, Jimmy Chatman, Kaden Siebert, Lane Clayton, Lisa Hunt, Joan Dicus, Mary Wood, Scott Giles, Roger Specking, Linda Pope, Jan Giles, Fred Granger, Marinelle Paladino, Charlie Hogue, Nina Tuberville, Donald Jamieson, Ella Ballentine, Olivia Vasquez, Kimbrough Family, Roger Specking, Lynda White, Phillip Cable, Gregory Eicocco, Nattie Towery, Jerry Sharp, Lavon Booth, Bob & Helen Marcotte, Leo Genovesi, Kathy Puckett, Melissa Coffel, Crystal & Sammy Leisure, Dorothy Manley, Don Shinkaruk, Mike & Kathy Smoker, David & Annetta Allen, Mary McKinney, Marty Barrack, Mary Killela, Cindy Shepard, Fr. Amal, Ellen Rogers, Keegan Neldon, Melonie Southard, Marti Johnson, Nathan Bridges, Anthony Allen, James Whitson, Carolyn Webster, Carter Pace, Bonita Quette, Marilyn Posey, and De La Salle Blackfeet School.

SOS Program Updates:
 332 SOS meals were served during March. If anyone in our parish that is in need of a meal on any Sunday, please reach out to the SOS team or Church office. Delivery can be made if you are unable to attend SOS.

Prayer Garden Please get your orders in for the Prayer Garden Memorial Wall. \$100.00 per Plaque and one name per Plaque is listed. This is a great gift for family members for Mother's Day or Father's Day.

Attention Flower Gardeners—If you are propagating perennial plant, could you reach out to Phil Allen 870-656-4660 please? Our prayer garden is in need of flowers and we would like to plant perennials.

Severe Weather
 During severe weather events the Church basement will be available. If Fr. Aby is not in the Church when you arrive, please reach out to Mandy.

Interested in Becoming Catholic? OCIA provides an opportunity to learn and grow with others. For more information contact Dc. John and Kem Drake. OCIA is held each Thursday in the Parish Hall at 6pm.

Special collection - Indian Missionary Society:
 The Varanasi Province of IMS has 85 Priests, 3 Evangelist Brothers, and 55 students at various stages of formation to become religious priests. The Mission of the Varanasi Province is being carried out in 8 states in India. At present it has 26 Mission Centers/ Institutions and 18 substations spread in 12 Dioceses.

Besides taking care of the small Christian communities wherever we are, the Varanasi Province of the IMS is engaged in social and economic development of the people through empowerment of women and children, disabled, rag pickers, slum dwellers, Dalits and the marginalized. We also work for ecology, ecumenism, inter religious harmony and for social change etc.

Please prayerfully consider donating to Fr. Aby's Order this weekend in the second collection.

Golf Tournament: Thank you to all who volunteered, donated, and participated in the Golf Tournament benefitting our school. Your dedication is most appreciated.

Rosary for America will be next Sunday, May 17, due to this Sunday being Mother's Day.

Mother's Day Gift Ideas!
 Need a gift for that special someone! What about mom or grandma for Mother's Day? The Altar Society has the perfect solution. We are selling spaghetti Dinner Tickets for \$9 each, pre-purchase tickets that may be used on any Wednesday spaghetti dinner day! See Betty Masingale, Cathy Carter, Rosanne Livingston, or Carolyn Whitson for your tickets. Thank you for supporting the Altar Society and St. Mary Catholic School.

Spaghetti Dinner prep day is Tuesday morning, May 12th. Desserts may be dropped off at the hall on Tuesday between 6am-1pm or Wednesday morning. Any help on both days will be appreciated.

The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by Clerics, Church volunteers, or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964 and the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, Dcn. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gottspomer at (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.



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Tue, Wed, Fri.

Confessions
Wednesday 5pm-5:45pm
Sunday 8:30am-9:15am

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Mass Times
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Saturday: 4:00pm



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Contact Leia Taylor or the church office.

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