**Mass Schedule** July 26, Saturday 6:00pm July 27, Sunday 9:30am Mass 11:00am Mass (Spanish) July 29, Tuesday No 8am Mass Funeral 10am July 30, Wednesday 6:00pm Mass Aug. 1, Friday 8:00am Mass Aug. 2, Saturday 6:00pm In honor of All Parishioners Aug. 3, Sunday 9:30am Mass

#### Confessions

In Honor of All Altar Society Members

both living and deceased

11:00am Mass (Spanish)

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

#### Adoration

Each Wednesday 8am-8pm

Welcome Fr. Beni & Fr. Ed for this weekends Masses.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK **JULY 27, 2025**

Sunday Gn 18:20-32 Col 2:12-14 Lk 11:1-13

Monday Ex 32:15-24,30-34 Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday Ex 33:7-11;34:5b-9,28 Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday Ex 34:29-35 Mt 13:44-46

Thursday Ex 40:16-21,34-38 Mt 13:47-53

Friday Lv 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34b-Mt 13:54-58

Saturday Lv 25:1,8-17 Mt 14:1-12

Sunday Eccl 1:2.2:21-23 Col 3:1-5,9-11 Lk 12:13-21

# **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:

Kaden Siebert, Lane Clayton, Lisa Hunt, Joan Dicus, Mary Wood, Scott Giles, Roger Specking, Winston Hollis, Linda Pope, Randy Scott, Jan Giles, Fred Granger, Carolyn Clayton, 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, Gerald Orr, Kathy Puckett, Melissa Coffel, Crystal & Sammy Leisure, Dorothy Manley, Don Shinkaruk, Mike & Kathy Smoker, David & Annetta Allen, Mary McKinney, Marty Barrack, Galen Williams, 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.

	Saturday 6pm 8/2/25	Sunday 9:30am 8/3/25
Servers	Bradley Johnson John VanDon	Daniel Kristofcak Need One
Lector	Jo Lampkins	Carolyn Block Jennifer Drake
EM	Brad Smithee Need One	Kem Drake Rosario Puello
Gift Bearers	Gonzalez	Stone
Ushers	Mark	Max

Refreshments following Sunday 9:30am Mass: Altar Society

St. Mary Church Collection		Thank you!
Week	Collection	Expenses
July 20, 2025	\$4,101.00	\$5,000.00

#### July food drive results:

We collected 68 food items and \$ 778.25 for Griffin memorial food pantry. Thank you!

#### Second collection will be held for:

July 26-27 St. Mary School & Preschool

#### **Parish Hall Flooring Update:**

The hall will be closed Monday, July 14-Aug. 1st for updates to the floor. Bingo, Sunday refreshments, and SOS will be closed until after Aug. 1st.



#### **Lost & Found**

We have a small tote in the basement of the Church with all things found in the Church. If you are missing an item, please check the box.



#### **Interested in Becoming Catholic?**

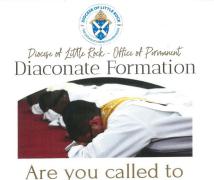
OCIA provides an opportunity to learn and grow with others. For more information contact Dc. John and Kem Drake.

#### **Prayer Garden**

Order forms are available at the entrance to the Church for plaques to be placed in the new prayer garden at the parish

#### **SOS NEWS**

SOS Served 310 meals in May. Please keep SOS in mind if you have extra summer garden vegetables or fruit to donate, you can bring them to the Parish Hall. Thank you for your support and God Bless.



be a DEACON?

2025 Taste of Faith

For questions about the Diaconate Program, please contact Dc. Ricardo Puello. If you could not make it to an inquiry meeting but are interested, please

contact Dc. Ricardo.



2025-2026 Openings

# ST. MARY'S **PRESCHOOL**

We have openings in our 3 year old and 4 year old program for the 2025-2026 year!





### Little Rock on Saturday, Aug. 2 at 6:30 p.m. to support seminarian education in the Diocese of Little Rock. There is no charge to attend but in addition to the inspiring program, there will be an

All are invited to attend the 2025 Taste of Faith

dinner at the Statehouse Convention Center in

opportunity to make a donation. Reservations are required. If you are not able to come to the dinner, please consider donating anytime at tasteoffaith.org. For more information, contact Kelly Wewers, Director of Stewardship and Development, at kwewers@dolr.org or call (501) 664-0340, ext. 391.

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 sur-

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

#### The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is Committed to Protecting Children, Youth and Adults at Risk

If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by clerics, Church volunteers, or Church workers, please contact the Vicar General for the Diocese of Little Rock at (501) 664-0340 ext. 361 and the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crime Against Children at (800) 482-5964. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinators for the Diocese of Little Rock, Laura Gottsponer at (501) 766-6001.



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**JULY 27, 2025** 

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