

Mass Schedule

July 4, Saturday

6:00pm Mass

In honor of All Parishioners

July 5, Sunday

9:30am Mass

In honor of all Altar Society members living and deceased

11am Mass [Spanish]

July 7, Tuesday

8:00am Mass

In memory of Roberta Straub

July 8, Wednesday

6:00pm

In memory of Rev. John Oswald

July 10, Friday

8:00am

July 11, Saturday

6:00pm Mass

In honor of All Parishioners

July 12, Sunday

9:30am Mass

In memory of Roger Specking

11am Mass [Spanish]

Confessions

Sunday 8:30am-9:15am

Wednesday 5:00pm - 5:45pm

Adoration

Wednesday 8am-8pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

July 5, 2026

Sunday

Zechariah 9:9–10

Romans 8:9, 11–13

Matthew 11:25–30 (100)

Monday

Hosea 2:16, 17c–18, 21–22

Matthew 9:18–26 (383)

Tuesday

Hosea 8:4–7, 11–13

Matthew 9:32–38 (384)

Wednesday

Hosea 10:1–3, 7–8, 12

Matthew 10:1–7 (385)

Thursday

Hosea 11:1–4, 8e–9

Matthew 10:7–15 (386)

Friday

Hosea 14:2–10

Matthew 10:16–23 (387)

Saturday

Isaiah 6:1–8

Matthew 10:24–33 (388)

Next Sunday

Isaiah 55:10–11

Romans 8:18–23

Matthew 13:1–23 or Mat-
thew 13:1–9 (103)

	6:00 PM Mass 7/11/2026	9:30 AM Mass 7/12/2026
Servers	Bradley Johnson John VanDon	Brady Stone Avery Whitson
Lector	Roseann Livingston	Dean Inman
EM	Karen Ussery Stephen Posey	Ramiro Rodriquez Carolyn Block
Gift Bearers	Gonzalez	Knights of Columbus
Ushers	Brad	Knights of Columbus
Refreshments following 9:30am Mass: Knights of Columbus		

St. Mary Church Collection Thank you!			
	Week	Collection	Expenses
Offertory	June 28, 2026	\$2,942.00	\$5,000.00
Building Fund	May 2026	\$60,450.00	

Food drive results:

We collected 91 food items and \$ 385 for Griffin Memorial food pantry in June. Thank you

Special Collections:

Peter ‘s Pence July 11 & 12

St. Mary School & Preschool July 25 & 26

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 OCIA 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.

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SOS Program
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 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 base-ment 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.

SAVE THE DATE! St. Mary’s Fall Festival
Date: October 24
Location: St. Mary’s Church Grounds
Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a day of fun, fellowship, and community! We’re preparing an exciting Fall Festival featuring games, activities, delicious food, entertainment, and much more for all ages. Additional details will be announced soon, so stay tuned. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Christmas Bazaar [Christmas in July, Ha!]
Please begin saving boxes to be wrapped as gift boxes (boxes with separate lids preferred). Thank you!

Please see Fr. Aby’s schedule on the cover of the bulletin.

Rosary for America will be said on Sunday, July 12th at 3pm in the Church.

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
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ST. MARY'S CHURCH

ALTAR SOCIETY SPAGHETTI DINNER

WED, JULY 8TH

Spaghetti | Salad | Bread
Drink | Dessert

11AM-1PM

Ticket to enjoy St. Mary's

\$9.00

Dine In | Carry Out | To Go
Call 870-236-3890
St. Mary Parish Hall

Volunteers Needed!

On July 7th, we are seeking volunteers to assist with preparations for the Spaghetti Dinner in the parish hall from 6 AM to 11 AM, as well as on Wednesday morning before the event. Any help you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Join us on Wednesday, July 8th, for a delightful Spaghetti Dinner!

Taste of Faith

SUPPORTING SEMINARIAN EDUCATION

TOGETHER, WE INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF OUR CHURCH.

August 1, 2026

ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH
POCAHONTAS, ARKANSAS

MASS AT 5:00 PM

HAPPY HOUR AT 6:00 PM

NO COST TO ATTEND

ALL ARE WELCOME!!



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 Gottsponer at (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

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Supper on Sunday S.O.S

PICK UP A MEAL AT THE PARISH HALL- NO COST

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Office Hours:
8:00am-11:30am
Tue, Wed, Fri.

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

Immaculate Heart of Mary
Catholic Church
320 W. Free Street
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Arkansas 72476
Mass Times
Thursday: 12:00pm
Saturday: 4:00pm

Welcome to

ST. MARY CATHOLIC Church

God Bless America 250 Years!

July 5, 2026

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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Message from Fr. Aby:

To better serve the faithful of Paragould, Walnut Ridge, Holy Angels, and St. Bernards Hospital, the following weekly schedule has been established.

Weekly Schedule Monday – Day Off

Tuesday
6:00 a.m. – Mass at Holy Angels
8:00 a.m. – Mass in Paragould
Morning: Ministry in Paragould
Afternoon: Ministry at St. Bernards Hospital
Wednesday
6:00 a.m. – Mass at Holy Angels
Morning: Ministry at St. Bernards Hospital
Afternoon: Ministry in Paragould
6:00 p.m. – Mass in Paragould

Thursday
6:00 a.m. – Mass at Holy Angels
Morning: Ministry at St. Bernards Hospital
12:00 p.m. – Mass in Walnut Ridge
Afternoon: Ministry in Paragould

Friday
6:00 a.m. – Mass at Holy Angels
8:00 a.m. – Mass in Paragould
Morning: Ministry in Paragould
Afternoon: Ministry at St. Bernards Hospital
Saturday
6:00 a.m. – Mass at Holy Angels
4:00 p.m. – Vigil Mass in Walnut Ridge
6:00 p.m. – Vigil Mass in Paragould
Sunday
6:30 a.m. – Mass at Holy Angels
9:30 a.m. – Mass in Paragould
11:00 a.m. – Mass in Paragould