

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 1, 2021

### Parish Staff:

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### Office Hours: 9-1 Monday—Friday

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### Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm Mass  
Thurs.— 8:30 am Mass

### Reconciliation:

Before Mass or by Appointment

**Sacrament of Baptism** – Baptisms are celebrated during the Saturday 5:30p.m. Mass. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

**Marriages** – Diocesan Policy require at least a six month preparation process. Couples who are planning to marry should speak directly with the Pastor before setting a date. No Weddings are scheduled on Sundays.

**Hospitalized Parishioners** – Due to a change in the privacy law, Father cannot go to the hospital and ask for a list of parishioners for him to visit. As a patient, you must ask the hospital to notify the Rectory that you are requesting a visit. For our homebound parishioners, if you would like Father to visit, please call the Rectory and Father will be more than happy to come and visit you. Thank you!

### Mass Intentions:

7/31/21 Sat. 5:30 pm +Joe & Blanche Hamende (Ray & Heidi Ehrhardt)  
8/5/21 Thurs. 8:30am +Arnold Berens (Ann Ruder)  
+Joan Benoit (Monica Ruder)  
8/7/21 Sat. 5:30 pm +Ellen Galeaz (Evie Hanlin & Lonnie Anderson)

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Parish Office.  
Suggested Donations is \$10.

**Remember in Prayer** our deceased relatives and friends, the ill of our parish and community, nursing home residents, the homeless, hungry and unemployed, those living alone and our own special intentions we hold deep in our hearts. Keep in prayer all men and women serving our country, the injured and those being held prisoners. Let us not forget all men and women who gave up their lives so that we may live in freedom and peace!

### Liturgical Schedule for Lectors

7/31/21 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane  
8/7/21 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Melinda



**Holy Father's Intention for the month of August:** *General Intention:* The Church. Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

### Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 525.00

Your Offering is most appreciated!

### Prayers for Sick

Heidi Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, Debbie Turner, and Michael Mullen

**Online Giving is not available** any longer to parishes through the Diocese of Joliet Universal Offertory Giving. We are looking into establishing online giving on our own parish website. We will keep you updated when this will be available. Sorry for the inconvenience and thank you for your continued support to our parish.

**Welcome!** We welcome all new individuals, couples and families to St. Mary's Parish. If you haven't already done so, please register with the rectory office. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board or on our website swkrcatholics.org Thank you!

"You are rewarded not according to your work or your time but according to the measure of your love."— St. Catherine of Siena

Wanting to keep up with news and/or announcements from the Diocese?! Visit [www.dioceseofjoliet.org](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org) for the latest information and resources.

An Invitation from Fr. Burke Masters- **Registration Now Open! Be Formed Season 3 - The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: Liturgy of the Word**-Be Formed-an experience for adults desiring to grow closer to God through our Catholic faith. The aim is to grow both spiritually & physically as well as to form community through monthly large & weekly small group sessions that run for 90 days. This season we will focus on the first half of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: The Liturgy of the Word. [www.dioceseofjoliet.org/layformation](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/layformation)

**My Parish—His Heart—My Home** -My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will be prayerful, if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring others into worship, if I invite and bring them in. It will be a place of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity, and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task of being All the things that I want my parish to be. Amen.

**Devout Catholic School Teachers Needed**-Full and part-time PreK- Grade 8 teaching positions are currently available in Diocese of Joliet Catholic elementary schools located in DuPage, Kankakee, and Will Counties. Candidates must be practicing Catholics who hold appropriate state licensure. Please view job descriptions and apply online at <https://www.applitrack.com/dioceseofjoliet/onlineapp/>. Early Childhood and Kindergarten, Primary (Grades 1, 2, and 3), Intermediate (Grades 4 and 5), Junior High School English / Language Arts, Social Studies, Mathematics, and Science (Grades 6, 7, and 8), Specials (Art, Music, PE, and Spanish), Resource and Special Education Teachers.

**Word of Life**-"We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life" (EV 86). Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae* © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 01 August 2021** Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15. Psalm 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54. Ephesians 4:17, 20-24. John 6:24-35. **More Than Manna, More Than Bread and Fish.** During the Exodus, the LORD rained down bread (manna) each day to feed those in flight. Last Sunday, after being filled with bread and fish, the crowd pursued Jesus for more food. Rightly exasperated, Jesus patiently shifts the conversation from bread from heaven to true bread. He ends by saying: "I Am the bread of life." What looks like bread is more than bread. More than we can imagine! What do I believe Communion to be? Why do I believe this? Why do I come in procession each Sunday to eat this bread, this Communion, this Christ?

**The Transfiguration of the Lord, Feast – Friday, 06** Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14. Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9. 2 Peter 1:16-19. Mark 9:2-10. **Whiter Than White.** Filled with light. Dazzling clothes. Jesus stands before them prefiguring resurrected life. Peter says, it is good we are here. God, from the cloud, says, listen to my beloved Son. In my listening, what am I hearing?

