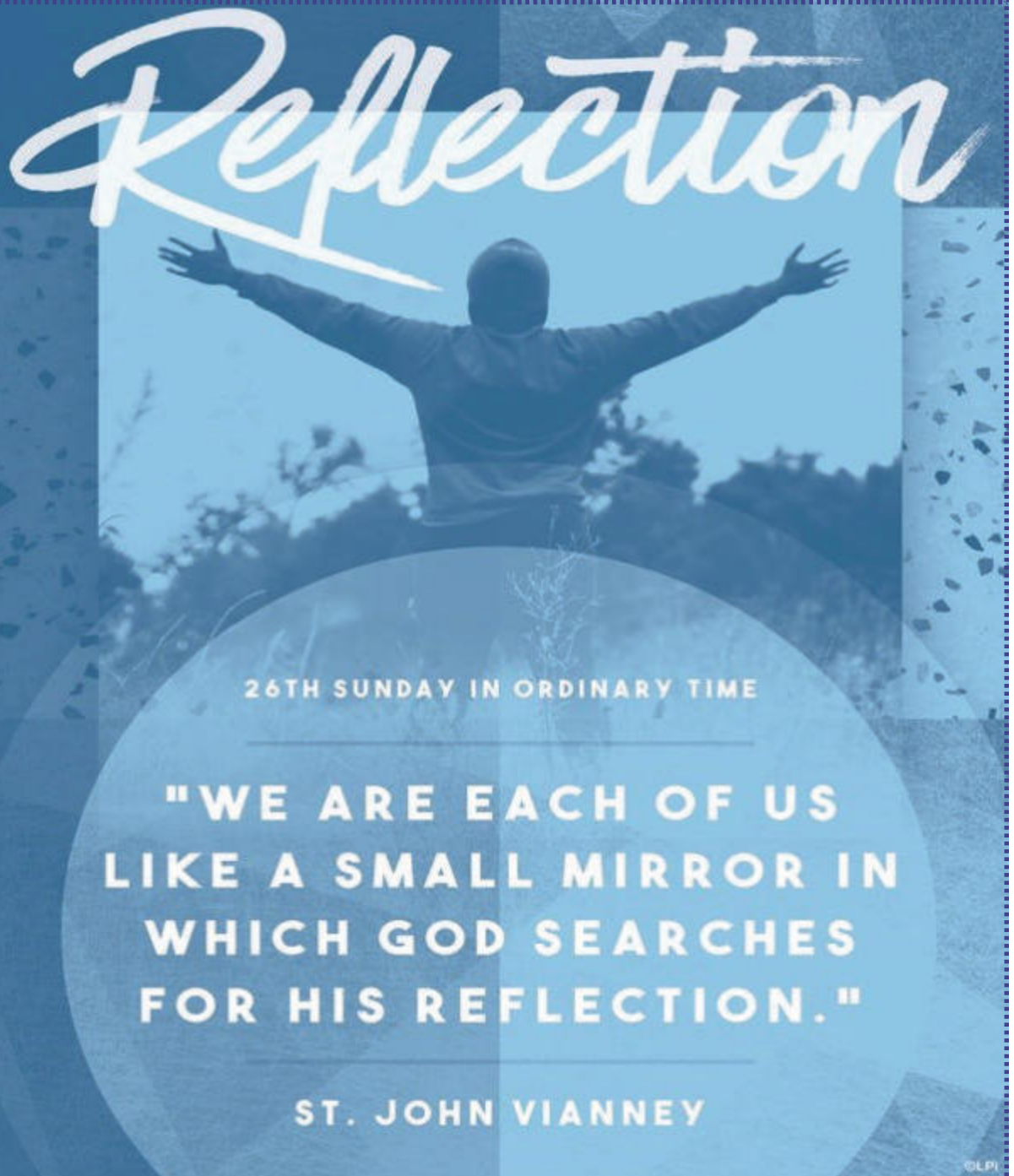




The Catholic Church Of St. Mary
Parish Mission Statement

The Church of St. Mary, followers of Christ, are inspired by our Catholic faith to build on our traditions through the Eucharist, prayer and education. As the family of God, and with one another, we desire to live our faith in the world.

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Tuesday and Thursday

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday by appointment

Confessions :Wednesday & Friday: 8: a.m.

Wednesday from 5:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday : 8:00 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday ...5:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Please join us in prayer

Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the Parish Office at 1-815-8958-3422

Sacrament of Marriage: Please contact the Parish office 6 months prior to your wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing: During Mass on the First Friday of September and November . For **anointing of the homebound or in the hospital** please call the Parish office at **1-815-858-3422** . In emergency call the Parish number any time-day or night .

Mass (4)
Be aware of God's presence

When you enter the church be aware of God's presence. Near the door, on the wall, you will find a font of holy water. Sometimes it is a baptismal font that is located right as you enter the church. They both remind us of our baptismal origins. It was there that we died to sin. Remind yourself of your Baptism. Dip the tips of your fingers of your right hand into the blessed water and bless yourself. As you touch your forehead say to yourself: "**In the name of the Father...**" and then touch your chest and say:..."**and of the Son**" ... and as you touch your left shoulder, say:..."**and of the Holy**" and then as you touch right shoulder ..."**Spirit. Amen.**" When you bless yourself, you recall this moment, forever marked as belonging to Christ. It often becomes a thoughtless habit, but make an effort to do it with meaning, recalling the sacred moment of your Baptism.

Whenever you enter a Catholic church, you will see a red light burning in the sanctuary. It is a sign of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the tabernacle: you are talking to *someone*, not *something*. Genuflect or bow toward the tabernacle. It is an act of adoration and acknowledging God's presence in the Eucharist preserved in the tabernacle. It creates an awareness of God's presence in your life: this is not yet another "business as usual" but a special and important act that is happening here. This is your time of visitation. This is a moment of your encounter with the Lord.

When you come to church, arrive early enough to spend time preparing yourself, clear your mind of all thoughts, making yourself available to His Presence. The conversations going on in your head may seem like important matters, but you may miss Him, who intends to join you.

"That very day two of his disciples were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing Him." (Luke 24:3-16)

Fr. Joachim

October is dedicated to praying the Rosary. Every Wednesday we have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5 to 5:45 p.m.. Also there is an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I would like to invite anyone who wants to spend a little time before the Lord and pray the Rosary together offering this prayer for our Parish.

On October 6, 13th, 20th, and 27th at 5:05 p.m. we will pray the Rosary. Please join us!



October Schedule

October 3, 2021 Family night 6:00-7:45 p.m.

October 24, 2021 Youth only 6:00-6:45 p.m.



"Finding God: Our Response to God's Gifts" Family Catechesis program! "Finding God" is unique in its flexibility to support busy families as they grow in their faith. The program combines parish-based group meetings and grade-specific instruction by catechists with at-home sessions guided by parents or supporting adults by meeting twice a month—the 2nd and 4th Sunday from 6 pm to 7:45 in the Parish Hall.

If you are interested or know of others that might be in joining our program, please see our website for more information (as well as the 2021-2022 calendar) or contact Cheryl.

Families are always welcome!!!

Also we are in need of help with evenings in many way so please contact Cheryl if you can help for two hours. There is also a sign up sheet in the vestibule window. Thanks!!!!

Jennifer Sullivan
Marge Misek
Pete Knauer

Mass Intentions for Week of September 25- Oct 3, 2021

Saturday, September 25, 2021

4:00 p.m. † S.J. Jason Zeal by Marianne Murphy

6:00 p.m. For the people of St. Mary

Sunday, September 26, 2021

8:30 a.m. † Agnes Slaney by John and Barb Scott

10:15 a.m. S.J. † Bob Hopkins by Mary Wild

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

8:30 a.m. † S.J. Deacon Dave Wilbricht by Maria Kmiec

** note time change please

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

8:30 a.m. † Deceased members of the Buckley family

5:00-5:45 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation

6:00 p.m. † Purgatorial Society of St. Mary 2020

Thursday, September 30, 2021

8:30 a.m. S.J. † St. John Purgatorial Society of 2020

Friday, October 1, 2021

8:30 a.m. † Margaret Parkersby by Peter and Maria Holy

Saturday, October 2, 2021

4:00 p.m. † For the people of St. John

6:00 p.m. † Brother Bill Riley, O.F.M. by Frank Schwirtz

Sunday, October 3, 2021

8:30 a.m. † Jean Grube by Karla Grube

10:15 a.m. † John Sullivan by Mary Wild

Liturgy and Safety

Saturday, October 2, 2021

6:00 p.m. Lector/Com.....Frank
Sanitizing.....Schwartzs'

Sunday, October 3, 2021

8:30 a.m. Lector: 1st reading/response....Karla
2nd reading /prayers.....Cheryl

Sanitize Pews after Mass:Staff

Readings for the week of September 26, 2021

Sunday, September 26, 2021 Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday, September 27, 2021 Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday, September 28, 2021 Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday, September 29, 2021, Jn 1:47-51

Thursday, September 30, 2021, Lk 10:1-12

Friday, October 1, 2021 Lk 10:13-16

Saturday, October 2, 2021 Mt 18:1-5, 10

Sunday, October 3, 2021 Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

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Open House 'Sunday, October 10, 2021
3 p.m.-6 p.m.

Visit a place of solitude, beauty, peace and refreshment. Take a Sunday drive to CITW and walk the paths, ride the ATV around the property, visit with friends, enjoy refreshments, and sit around the fire pit in the refreshing fall air. Invite family and friends to join you for the wonderful afternoon.

Directions: From Route 20 in Stockton take Route 78 S four miles to Ridge Road, a gravel road. Travel two miles south on the gravel road to Randecker Rd. Watch for signs along way.

Call 815-947-2476 or email

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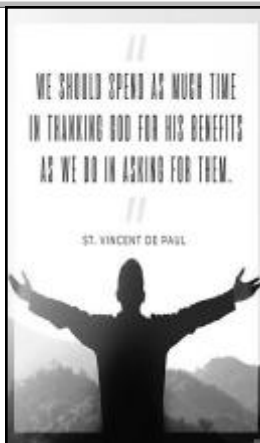
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Weekly offering:

Weekly expenditures: \$2600

Stewardship assessed goal is \$7563
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Mission Appeal weekend is October 16-17, 2021. This supports mission in U.S., abroad, Catholic Education, Priests pension and is not assessed like Stewardship.



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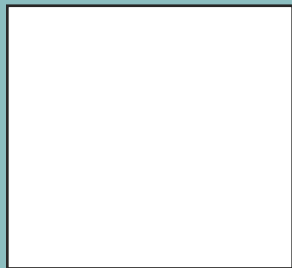

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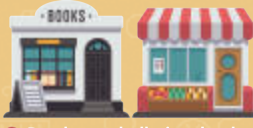
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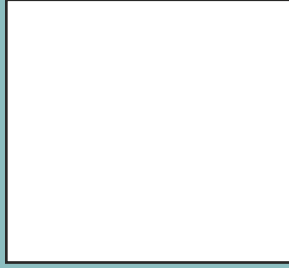

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