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Mission Statement

The Church of St. Mary, is a Roman Catholic Church whose Mission is that of Jesus Christ: The conversion of sinners and the salvation of souls. This is accomplished by preaching and living the Gospel, celebrating Sacraments and evangelizing the world around us.

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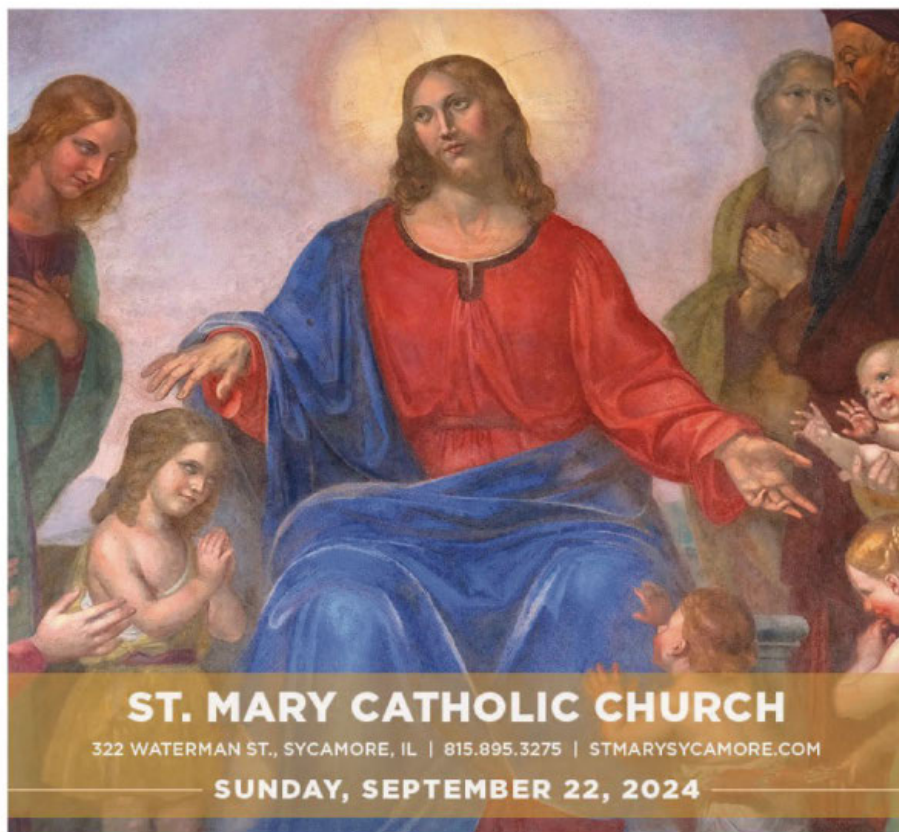
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:35b-37a

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil
Sunday 8:00 am, 11:00 am
9:30 am Spanish

DAILY MASSES

Mon - Fri 8:15 am
Saturday 8:00 am
HOLY DAYS
8:15 am 6:00 pm

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday - after morning Mass
& 4:00 - 4:30 pm
Or by appointment

ADORATION

9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Thursdays

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 23 - *St. Pius of Pietrelcina*

8:15 AM In Memory of Caitlyn Robertson
(by Suzzane Greenman)

Tuesday, September 24

8:15 AM All Souls' Day Intentions

Wednesday, September 25

8:15 AM In Memory of Richard T. Johnson
(by Suzzane Greenman)

Thursday, September 26 - *Ss. Cosmas & Damian*

8:15 AM Special Intention for Ozzie Ceurvels
(by Brian & Marcia Feltes)

Friday, September 27 - *St. Vincent de Paul*

8:15 AM In Memory of Nicklas W. Kushnerik
(by Andrews family)

Saturday, September 28 - *St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions*

8:00 AM All Souls' Day Intentions
5:00 PM In Memory of Edward Guillaumier
(by Borg family)

Sunday, September 29 - *Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM In Memory of Mickey Connerton
(by family)
9:30 AM Spanish Mass
11:00 AM Living & Deceased of St. Mary Parish

HOPE HAVEN: (September 28)

Theresa Hepker, Linda Sullivan

MINISTRY OF CARE: (September 29)

Grand Victorian: Kathy Laing

Wednesdays: Linda Gibson - Rosary

Lincolnshire: Linda Gibson

Kindred: Michelle Wiora

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Of September 22, 2024

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8
(6b)/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/
Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30,
34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101,
104, 163/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a
and 9b/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/
Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-
13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45

The Lay Carmelite Community is
looking for donations of adult or
children's Catholic Used Books for a
Book Fair Oct. 5/6.



Drop off in the PAC Sept 29 - Oct. 2.



SAVE THE DATES to pray the Rosary
together:

Sunday, October 6 at 3pm

Rosary Coast to Coast

Saturday, October 12 Noon

America Needs Fatima

Both at the DeKalb County Courthouse lawn

Bring a lawn chair, if needed.

MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

Date	Time	Usher	Greeter	Eucharistic Minister	Sacristan	Lector/ Commentator	Altar Servers
Saturday	5:00 pm	Sandy Fischer Jeff Fischer Mike Mendel Rob Wackt	Teresa Jacobson Anna Wackt	Mariann Kaminski Pat Shafer Gerald Zbylut	Kim Turcotte	Sr. Judy Herrmann Kim Coovert	Eileen Lehan Maeve Lehan
Sunday	8:00 am	Lisa DeWitt Jeff Hammes Samuel Schwartz Marcy Schwartz	Jeanne Maveus Barbara Roby	Mary Cronin Deacon Rich Foy Keaton Leach	Don Henderson	Kathy Hammes Lisa Brandt	Liam Fifer Rylan Hagemeyer
Sunday	11:00am	Need Joe Cusumano Michelle Donahoe Jeff Donahoe	Nancy Higdon Need	Mickey Beckman Aubri Bourge Michelle Cusumano	Nolan Wolfe	Jayne Higgins Kathy Wolf	Joe Donahoe Liam Fioretto

FAITHFUL LIVING, GRATEFUL GIVING
THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP
Sunday Collection - September 15, 2024

<u>Actual Collection</u>	<u>Amount Needed To Meet Budget</u>	<u>Surplus Shortfall</u>
\$11,752.04	\$ TBD	\$ TBD
Total since July 1, 2024	Year to Date Budget	Surplus Shortfall
\$126,601.43	\$ TBD	\$ TBD



2024 DIOCESAN APPEAL
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<u>Goal</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Payments</u>
\$ 68,999.00	\$ 60,224.51	\$ 46,431.06
Shortfall \$ 8,777.49	87% of goal	67% of goal
13% of goal	As of September 17, 2024	

Please join St. Mary's ProLife Committee in "Spiritually Adopting" an unborn child with this prayer written by:

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

This prayer can be said at your discretion: weekly, daily or for 9 months.

It could also be said during the "40 Days for Life" Fall Campaign which starts September 25th through November 3rd. More information can be found at 40daysforlife.com



We have a new way of communicating with our middle and high school families!! Please make sure you are signed up for our new GroupMe channel! I will be sending updates and reminders using this app, as well as any weather cancellations if necessary. Use the attached qr code.



Now that we have a larger bulletin, we will be including the section of: "Remember in your prayers all the sick in our parish, the convalescents and shut-ins."

If you or someone you know would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact Liz at the parish office and she will add them to the list. When you contact the parish office, please leave your name and number in case there are any questions. If you would like a name to be removed from the list, please let her know.

Contact: Liz 815-895-3275 or churchsecretary@stmarysycamore.com

Help Us Replace Our Hymnals



After over 20 years of use and due to changes in the order of Mass, we need to replace our current hymnals. Each hymnal's cost is \$40 and you can donate as many as you like. You can dedicate each hymnal you donate in memory of a loved one or in honor of your family or friends. Your generosity and commitment to our parish is vital to our success and anything you can give toward the purchase of our new hymnals will be greatly appreciated. We have donation envelopes in the narthex of the church and in the parish office and will be collecting until September 30th. Thank you!

Questions: please contact Michelle Coover
 President of St. Mary's Pastoral Council
Michelle.coover@yahoo.com
 or 314-307-9098



Would you like to receive our bulletin weekly by email? If you scan this QR code, you can sign up on parishesonline.com

Religious Education

The Seasons of Nature

"The most universal of the seasons are the seasons of the year. In each, there is both a mood and an invitation to reflection which has been part of the wisdom of man from the beginning. Every age and every culture recognize the new birth of Spring, Summer's strength, the glorious decline of Fall, and Winter's death. The seasons are tuned to the mysteries of life. Nature's cycle brings a certain inevitable understanding—sometimes joyous, often poignant—even to urbanites.

Most of us are able to relive this cycle many times, which is certainly a blessing, especially when we consider how often we realize too late that we have rushed distractedly through a season that is now passing away, an occasion of regret rather than joy. This experience should be a lesson in life, teaching us the importance of recognizing the different periods of our time on earth: the need to reflect on and capture the spirit of each, and to live appropriately."



Registering for the parish

Become part of the parish community and register at St. Mary Catholic Church. Please go to our website: stmarysycamore.com and fill out our registration form and return it to the parish office. If you have questions or are unsure if you are registered, call Liz or email her at the parish office.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptisms

Infant Baptism is by appointment, and is celebrated after 11:00 Mass on Sunday. Before the baptism will be scheduled, paperwork that can be found on our website: stmarysycamore.com needs to be completed and turned into Liz at the parish office. There is also one preparation session that needs to be attended before the baptism.

Marriages

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months but no more than 18 months in advance. Please call Fr. Etheredge or Liz at the parish office to set up an appointment.



Friends of the Poor Walk
Saturday, September 28, 2024
St. Mary Church
302 Fisk Ave
DeKalb, IL 60115

Check in begins 8:30 AM, Walk Starts 9:30 AM
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is hosting a walk to raise funds to help those less fortunate living in our community.

To Register or Donate go to:
<https://events.idonate.com/dekalbsycamore>

***click on "REGISTER"**

***Select "Walk Registration Without Fee"**
increase ticket number if registering more than one person.

***Please enter a donation amount before continuing if you wish to donate by credit card to the Walk.**

***Complete Walker Ticket for each person who will participate in our Walk.**

****Please Register Early!***

Donation Checks can also be mailed payable to Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 302 Fisk Ave, DeKalb, IL 60115. Please put FOP Walk in the memo section.

Questions? Contact Robin Hansen 815-751-0232 or robin@sverdpekab.org

100% of funds raised stay in the community to help those living in poverty.



We are grateful for a group of our students who have been providing music for us at our school masses while we are in the process of hiring a music teacher! Pictured above are Declan Jaszczak, Joe Donahoe, Liam Fifer, Carly Chedlady and Eileen Lehan.

We are still enrolling students for the 2024-2025 school year. There are four ways that we work with families to make a Saint Mary School education financially possible:

1. Religious education students who enroll in Saint Mary School for the 2024-2025 school year will receive a \$275 tuition credit.
2. Tuition is paid on a monthly plan. You choose the date the payment is due.
3. Financial aid is available for eligible families. You may apply at factsmgt.com.
4. You may receive a tuition credit for each family you refer who enrolls in the school. You may receive credits up to the full amount of your tuition. (Contact the school office for details.)

Contact Mrs. Strang
at 815-895-5215 or
pstrang@stmarysycamore.org

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