

CHRISTMAS  
2023  
MESSENGER

# St. Mary

CATHOLIC CHURCH  
2300 E. Meadowlark • Derby, KS 67037

## *Christ's Light Illuminates Our Hearts!*

Have you ever wondered what the first Christmas looked like...through the eyes of St. Joseph?


Just months earlier, the angel of the Lord had spoken to him in a dream: "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins" (Mt 1:20-21). At that, Joseph obediently brought his wife into his home, and began to prepare for the birth of the Savior.

We do not have a single recorded word of St. Joseph in Scripture, but his actions speak louder than words. From that day forward, he dedicated his life to caring for and loving his family (the Blessed Virgin Mary and Jesus), even though he often did not have all the answers.

But his heart was always humble and open to the will of God, and because of this, God could accomplish great things through the hands and life of this simple carpenter from Nazareth.

And so this Christmas, may we imitate the heart of St. Joseph. May we truly welcome Jesus into our hearts, and know of the great love that He has for each of us! And like St. Joseph, may our hearts be humble and open to God's will, so that through us, others may encounter the love of Jesus Christ our Savior.

*May God bless you and your family this Christmas!*



Fr. Michael Linnebur



*Kolette Trujillo and Daniel Mundy portrayed Mary and Joseph in Mrs. Dinicola's 1st grade Christmas play*



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A warm welcome to our parish family. We want to meet you. Please call the Parish Office to schedule registration, or for more information, 316-788-5525.

# Meet Our Newest Parish Families!



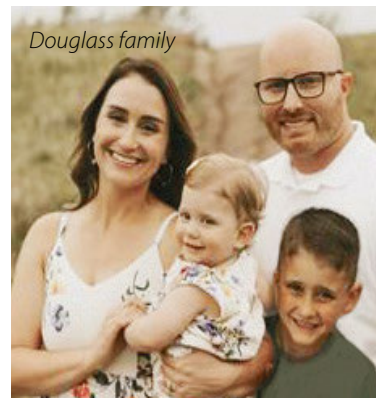
Brown family



Cabrera & Agner family



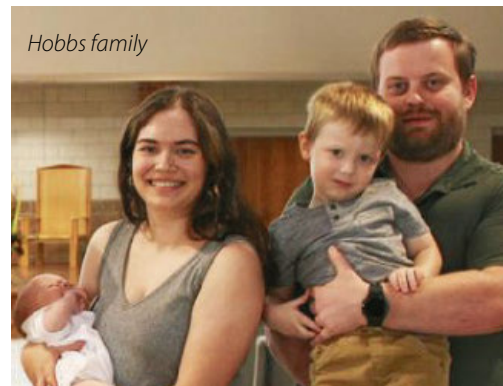
Cooksey family



Douglass family



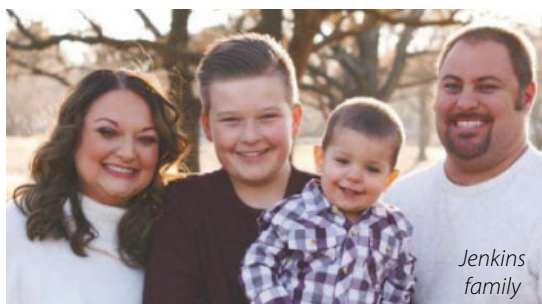
Ediger family



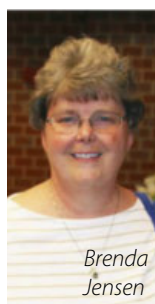
Hobbs family



Sarah Hughes



Jenkins family



Brenda Jensen

## Welcome!

Are you a newcomer? We would love to get to know you and wish you a warm St. Mary welcome! Join us for Coffee and Donuts every Sunday following the 9 am Mass, or partake in our monthly Welcome Breakfast held on the second Sunday of each month following the 9 am Mass. We look forward to meeting you!

### New Parishioners since Easter

Adam & Julia Brown family\*  
 Eric Cabrera & Nathalie Agner family\*  
 Richard Cenedella  
 Richard & Stephanie Cooksey\*  
 Julia Corrieri & Logan Howe family  
 Jordan & Aimee Ediger family\*  
 Chris & Kelcii Fisher family  
 Matt & Amanda Douglass family\*  
 Taylor & Scott Henry family  
 Jordan & Tyler Hobbs family\*  
 Sarah Hughes\*  
 Vera Hunt  
 Drew & Valerie Jenkins family\*  
 Brenda Jensen\*

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# Meet Our Newest Parish Families!

## New Parishioners since Easter (cont. from pg 2)

Peter Kain  
 Michael & Lori Maddox family\*  
 Nicola & Yezi Marrone family\*  
 Greg & Brianna Monty family  
 Matthew & Kelly Morrish family\*  
 Theresa Moss family  
 Monte & Elsa Patterson family  
 Heidi Reichenberger  
 Kathryn Reichenberger  
 Ruby & Phillip Robbins family\*  
 Don Roberson\*  
 Kala & Max Rose family  
 Kelly & Michelle Ross\*  
 Vanessa (Buehne) & Damon Rugg\*  
 Andre & Laken Schmalz family\*  
 Karen Therrien  
 John & Elise Thesing family\*  
 Maria & Sarahy Uribe  
 Joe & Megan Vander Zanden family\*  
 Tyler & Jordan Wharry family\*  
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\* = family is pictured



Maddox family



Marrone family



Morrish family



Robbins family



Don Roberson



Ross family



Rugg family



Schmalz family



Thesing family



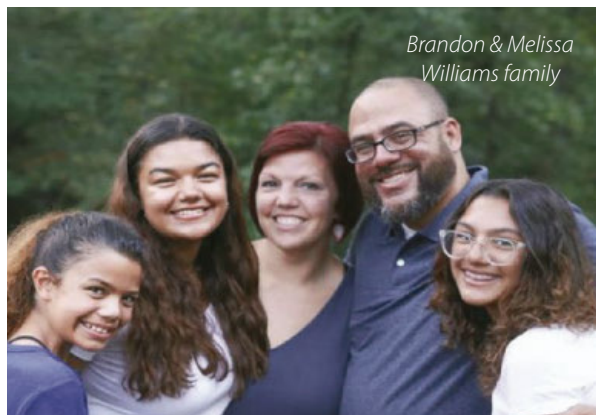
Vander Zanden family



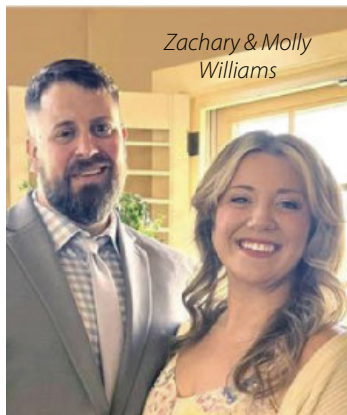
Wharry family



## My Faith Response!



Brandon & Melissa  
Williams family



Zachary & Molly  
Williams

### New Parishioners since Easter (cont. from pg 3)

Brandon & Melissa Williams family\*  
Zachary & Molly Williams\*  
Robin Wise  
Nicholas & Sharon Zogleman

\* = family is pictured



Father Michael makes the sign of the cross on Elizabeth Shavlik's forehead during the RCIA Rite of Acceptance

### RCIA CANDIDATES & CATECHUMENS

Amanda Bishop  
Zachary Brownlee  
Allie Brumbaugh  
Amanda Douglass  
Brian Hays  
Elizabeth Howard  
Gerald McCoy  
Tracie McIntire  
Kelly Morrish  
Logan Ogilvie  
Elizabeth Shavlik  
Ashlyn Stevenson  
Nate Struble  
Brian Wagoner

## Embracing Faith: The RCIA Journey to Easter 2024

As we approach Easter 2024, a group of individuals is navigating the transformative path of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), eagerly preparing to embrace the Catholic faith. Every Thursday at 7 pm in Room 112, these candidates and catechumens engage in discussions, prayers, and insightful videos from the Symbolon series on formed.org, shaping their spiritual journey.

This committed community isn't just accumulating knowledge; they're actively learning to turn more readily to God in prayer, cultivating a deep connection with the divine. The RCIA process goes beyond the classroom, prompting a profound spiritual shift in the participants.

Central to their formation is the

development of a strong Christian witness. These seekers aren't just learning about their faith; they're embodying it in their everyday lives. The lessons extend into homes, workplaces, and communities, inspiring them to bear witness to the love and mercy of Christ.

Setting their hopes on Christ, these candidates and catechumens approach Easter with a profound sense of purpose and faith. The celebration symbolizes not only the culmination of their journey but also a rebirth—a spiritual renewal that aligns with the resurrection of Jesus.

A cornerstone of their formation is a deepening sense of love for their neighbors. The RCIA process instills in them a genuine desire to serve and love those around them,

in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic faith. As they grow in understanding, these future members of the Church are poised to make a positive impact on the world.

For those intrigued by the RCIA process or the Catholic faith, the journey doesn't end at Easter.

The next RCIA session is set to commence in the fall of 2024, inviting new seekers to embark on a transformative pilgrimage of faith.

As we anticipate the joyous celebration of Easter, let's keep these RCIA candidates and catechumens in our prayers.

## SAINT MARY PARISH

### *Memorials and Honorariums as of Nov 15, 2023*

*Thank you* for your gifts! Memorials (in tribute of someone who has died, marked with a ✠) and honorariums (made to honor someone living) are beautiful and enduring gestures of love and faith that recognize a special person and also provide for the Church's future. Gifts made since January 1, 2023 are in bold blue font.

Dee Acosta  
Michael Adams ✠  
John Allen ✠  
Altar Society  
Rachel Arehart ✠  
Jerry Armstrong  
Phil Armstrong ✠  
Michael Anderson ✠  
George Arnold ✠  
Marion Arnold ✠  
Mary Arnold ✠  
Linda Ashburn ✠  
Arturo P. Atencio ✠  
Marie Avello ✠  
  
Laurence Bachman ✠  
Richard Bade ✠  
**Roseann Bade** ✠  
Baker ✠  
Sharon Baker ✠  
Everett Balster ✠  
Genevieve Bankston ✠  
Kevin & Kathy Barker  
Paul Barker ✠  
Preston Barr's birthday  
Mike Bartlett  
Mike Bartlett ✠  
Jocelyn Bastarache's birthday  
Donald Baucher ✠  
Catherine Baxter ✠  
Dee Baxter ✠  
Marion Beaver ✠  
Harold and Cathy Beedles  
Harold & Cathy Beedles -  
50th anniversary  
Rosie Benner ✠  
Mary P. Bernard ✠  
Aloys & Mary Ann Betzen ✠  
Brenda Betzen ✠  
Fr J.D. Betzen  
John & Barbara Betzen  
John Betzen  
Mary Biggs ✠  
Nick Billaci ✠  
Julie Bishop ✠  
Normand A. Bissonnette ✠  
Vincent & Amelia Bitel ✠  
Arden "Bill" Bloedel ✠  
Sue Bloedel ✠  
Betty & Jake Boardman Family  
Elizabeth J. Boardman ✠  
Dick and Nancy Bockelman  
Richard Bockelman

**John Bohrer** ✠  
Steve Bond ✠  
Mary Boor ✠  
Shalini John Bosco -  
20th birthday  
Tony Bott ✠  
Eddie and Verna Bouchey ✠  
Tom Bowen ✠  
Wanda Braciszewski ✠  
Fred Breece ✠  
Cari Brennan ✠  
**Ed Brennan** ✠  
Kathy Brennan  
Don Brown ✠  
Irma Jean Brown ✠  
Kylie Brown ✠  
Sally Brown ✠  
Donald J. Bruggeman ✠  
Ken & Rose Bruggeman  
Rose Bruggeman ✠  
Fr Michael Brungardt  
Carlos Buell ✠  
Robert Busch  
Paul Burnett ✠  
Father Arthur Busch ✠  
  
Tejae Carlson ✠  
Zita M. Carlson ✠  
Carolyn Sue Carpenter  
Paul Carrick ✠  
Marion & Grace Carroll ✠  
Ronnie & Mary Carver  
The Debbie Chapman Family  
Jerry Cochran ✠  
Chvilicek family  
Chvilicek family - Christmas  
Taylee Chvilicek's birthday  
Maggie Clark ✠  
Darlene J Clawson ✠  
Albert A. Coccetella ✠  
Mary Coccetella ✠  
Gerald & Ellen Cochran  
James & Sara Gonzalez Coffey  
Sara Coffey ✠  
Jim Coffey ✠  
Margaret Cole ✠  
Carl & Suzie Compton  
Christian Compton  
Mike Condon  
Joe Condic ✠  
Tom Cook  
Richard & Karol Cornejo family

Twila Cosentino  
Charles Coykendall ✠  
Benita Cox  
Christine Diann Crandon ✠  
Susan Crandon ✠  
Anna Craig  
  
Kevin Dana ✠  
Neil Daugherty  
Jacqueline Jo Davis ✠  
Albert William Davy ✠  
Rose Virginia Davy ✠  
Al Davy ✠  
Bill Dawdy Jr ✠  
DeLana Dawdy ✠  
William Dawdy, Sr ✠  
Floyd Dawson ✠  
Norma Dawson ✠  
Colette Dean ✠  
Albertine "Tiny" DeCou ✠  
Marian Deiter ✠  
Basil Delgado ✠  
Ken Delgado ✠  
Marie J. Delgado ✠  
Les & Connie Depperschmidt  
Sharon Desborough ✠  
Jerry & Mary Devore  
Jerry Devore ✠  
Albert Dextras ✠  
M.L. Dextras ✠  
Frank Devine ✠  
Virleen & Al Dickman ✠  
Tom Dillon ✠  
The Dinner Group  
Howard Dixon ✠  
Janice Dixon  
Lavon Dixon ✠  
Harry Dobson, Jr ✠  
Mary Dobson ✠  
Dale Doffing ✠  
Lawrence & Vicki Doughty ✠  
Caroline Douvia ✠  
Diane Doyon ✠  
Annette Dreiling  
Bud Dreitzler ✠  
Helen Dreitzler ✠  
Jim Dubetsky ✠  
Father Richard Ducate ✠  
**Marcia DuLac** ✠  
Keith DuLac  
Jean Dumont ✠  
Mary Dupree ✠  
Raymond Dupree ✠

**Sylvia Duran** ✠  
John Dussault ✠  
Tom Dwyer ✠  
John Dye ✠  
Kay Dye ✠  
Troy Dye ✠  
The Brian & Pam Dyer family  
Pam Dyer  
  
Rod & Andrea Eastman family  
Father Joe Eckberg  
Richard "Dick" Eckberg ✠  
Eckhart Family ✠  
Barb Eckhart ✠  
Francis Edmond ✠  
Egan family  
Ann Egan  
Pat Egan ✠  
Pat and Ann Egan  
Jane Engels ✠  
John Engels ✠  
Leo Engels ✠  
Marj Engels ✠  
Pat Engels ✠  
Ester Enslinger ✠  
Blanche Erbert  
Julia Erway ✠  
Cosmo Sr. & Terrylene J Espinoza  
Phyllis B. Espinoza ✠  
  
Gerald F. Fager ✠  
Gerald W. Fager ✠  
Maxine Fager ✠  
James Fahrbach ✠  
Delores Falk ✠  
Joe Fanello ✠  
Joe Fanello's grandchildren  
John Fanello ✠  
Louis Fannello ✠  
Mary E. Fanello ✠  
Frank Fanning ✠  
Marcia Fanning  
Maddie Farber  
Makinsey Renee Farber  
Mariah Farber  
Maximus Paul Farber  
Aaron & Rachel Farris  
Danny Farve ✠  
George & Sadie Favreau ✠  
Bobbie Feikert ✠  
Leonard & Kendra Fernandez Family  
JoAnne Finn

# SAINT MARY PARISH

## *Memorials and Honorariums as of Nov 15, 2023*

Dr. Fisher ☩  
 Geraldine A. Fisher ☩  
 Jenna Fisher's birthday  
 Nina Flattery ☩  
 Christy Flynn  
 Dan Flores ☩  
 Sister Alberta Foley ☩  
 Kathryn J. Fontaine  
 Marie Foral ☩  
 Colleen Ford  
 Betty Foster  
 Tony L Foster ☩  
 Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Lollar  
 Guido Fratangelo ☩  
 Dorothy L. Funk ☩  
 Eugene Funk ☩  
 Darral Garner  
 Joann Gaulin ☩  
 Martha Gehrer ☩  
 Agnes Gengler ☩  
 Edna Gentry  
 Edna Gentry Retirement  
 Bishop Eugene Gerber ☩  
 Ruth Gerlach ☩  
 Bill & Sue Gessler  
 N.J. Gessler Jr.  
 Martha Gehrer ☩  
 Agnes Gengler ☩  
 Edna Gentry  
 Edna Gentry Retirement  
 Bishop Eugene Gerber ☩  
 Ruth Gerlach ☩  
 Bill & Sue Gessler  
 N.J. Gessler Jr.  
 Martha Gehrer ☩  
 Agnes Gengler ☩  
 Edna Gentry  
 Edna Gentry Retirement  
 Bishop Eugene Gerber ☩  
 Ruth Gerlach ☩  
 Bill & Sue Gessler  
 N.J. Gessler Jr. ☩  
 Elizabeth Gibbs ☩  
 Jim Gibbs ☩  
 Joe Giffried ☩  
 Gilbert ☩  
 Eileen Gilbert ☩  
 Ginger Gilbert ☩  
 Matt Gilfried ☩  
 Linda Gomez ☩  
 José Martin Gonzalez ☩  
 José & Patricinio Gonzalez ☩  
 Patrocinio Gonzalez ☩  
 Ed Gonzalez ☩  
 Gabriele A. Gordan ☩  
 Patricia Gray ☩

Moses and Stella Grech ☩  
 Stan & Margie Gress  
 Bonnie Grisamore ☩  
 Clifford Gumm ☩  
 Eric & Kara Gustafson  
 Willie Gutierrez ☩  
 Donald & Margerie Hageman ☩  
 Bill Hall ☩  
 Bill Hand ☩  
 Anna Haney ☩  
 Walter Haney ☩  
 Ashley Hankins ☩  
 Kevin & Missy Hansen  
 Russell Hanus ☩  
 Gladys Hays ☩  
 Barbara Hein ☩  
 Robert Hein ☩  
 Paul Hemmen ☩  
 Mary Heinrich ☩  
 Harold & Ruth Hendrickson ☩  
 Betty Breece Hensley ☩  
 Betty Hensley  
 Elizabeth Ann Hensley ☩  
 Billie Herrmann ☩  
 Larry Herndon ☩  
 Pat Herndon ☩  
 Higgins ☩  
 Danielle Hoch  
 Rex & Cindy Holder  
 Thelma M. Hoffman ☩  
 Zachery Hollingsworth  
 John Holm ☩  
 Joseph Hosey ☩  
 Michael Hosey ☩  
 James & Dianne Houchin  
 Lucille R. Houchin ☩  
 William J. Houchin ☩  
 Hildegart E Bergkamp Housman ☩  
 Karen Stuhlsatz Hoyer  
 Hudson ☩  
 Margaret Hug  
 Jill Hundley ☩  
 Mae Hundley ☩  
 Jim Hunter ☩  
 Hunter ☩  
 Rena Jo Hurst ☩  
 Francis E. Hurtig ☩  
 Helen I. Hurtig ☩  
 John Huston ☩  
 Ron Igo ☩  
 Clyde & Vicky Jacobs  
 Marcy Jacobs ☩  
 Julie Jarvis ☩  
 Dortha Johnson ☩  
 Jessica Johnson Loney  
 Julianna Johnson Burget

Kent & Margie Johnson's  
 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary  
 Lonnie Johnson ☩  
 Robin Johnson ☩  
 Steve Johnson ☩  
 Eulalia W. Joines ☩  
 Charley W. Jones ☩  
 Clarice Jones ☩  
 Jimmy Jones ☩  
 Mary Ellen Jones' 80th birthday  
 Richard Jones ☩  
 James A. Jordan ☩  
 Jerrie Joseph ☩  
 Kandlerbinder ☩  
 Father Emil Kapaun ☩  
 Bill Keating ☩  
 Bob & Maggie Keating ☩  
 Carol Keller  
 John Keller ☩  
 Darleen JoAnne Kelley ☩  
 Alice Kelly ☩  
 Ed Kelly  
 Ed & Carole Kelly's  
 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary  
 John Kelly ☩  
 David Kelsey ☩  
 Brother Hugh Kennedy ☩  
 Charles Kennedy  
 Christine (Tommie)  
 Kennedy ☩  
 John Kennedy  
 John & Connie Kennedy  
 Leo & Ida Kennedy ☩  
 Patrick Kennedy ☩  
 Ray & Christine (Tommie)  
 Kennedy-70th Anniversary  
 Ray & Christine (Tommie)  
 Kennedy ☩  
 Ray Kennedy ☩  
 Father's Day 2009  
 Father's Day 2010  
 Birthday  
 Ray & Christine (Tommie)  
 Kennedy ☩  
 Charles W. Kenyon ☩  
 Lucille Kerby ☩  
 Leola I Kerr ☩  
 John P. & Josie Ketzner ☩  
 Leonard & Arlee Killion ☩  
 Linda Kind ☩  
 Norman King  
 Kippenberger Family  
 Joe Kirchhoffer ☩  
 Joseph Kirchhoffer Jr ☩  
 Tillie Kisner ☩

Larry Kitterman ☩  
 Abby Kleespie  
 Matthew Klein ☩  
 Sister Rose Klein  
 Jim Kleman ☩  
 Leona Kling ☩  
 Knights of Columbus  
 Knights of Columbus ☩  
 Ernie & Belinda Knipp  
 Ernie Knipp ☩  
 Boston Knowles – birthday  
 Reginald Knowles ☩  
 Leo Konecny ☩  
 Gayle G Koob ☩  
 Antoinette Korphage ☩  
 Lawrence Korphage ☩  
 Terisa Kramer ☩  
 Dean Krenbiel ☩  
 Ralph Krenzer ☩  
 Paul & Zita Kreutzer ☩  
 Walter Kreutzer ☩  
 Daniel Kriscziokaitis ☩  
 Marie Kriscziokaitis  
 Gerry Kroening's 74th birthday  
 Gerry Kroening ☩  
 Gregory Krueger ☩  
 Rick Kuehn ☩  
 Mary Kuntz ☩  
 Joann Kuszak  
 Dr. Amber & Don J. Lambert  
 Rosemary Lambert  
 Xavier Lambert  
 Michael Lamers ☩  
 Elaine Landes ☩  
 Jack Landes ☩  
 Lola Landis ☩  
 Lorene Landis ☩  
 John & Gertrude Landwehr ☩  
 Anna Lane ☩  
 Harold B. Lane ☩  
 Vernon Lang ☩  
 Father John Lanzrath  
 Ron & Norma Lee Leabo  
 50th anniversary  
 Milton Laurie ☩  
 Donald Lehr ☩  
 Pete & Becky Leidich  
 Al Leiker ☩  
 Mary E. Leiker ☩  
 Kevin & Rachel Lewis  
 Father David Lies  
 LIFE TEEN Core Team  
 Edward A. Lind (of Iola) ☩  
 Eugene H. & Regina Lindner ☩  
 Marguerite Linot ☩  
 Matthew Linot ☩



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## *Memorials and Honorariums as of Nov 15, 2023*

Tom & Janice Linot-60th  
wedding anniversary  
Tom Linot ✕  
**Alonzo & Carmetta Lollar** ✕  
Alonzo A. Lollar ✕  
Austin Lollar ✕  
Carmetta Lollar ✕  
Pat Lollar  
Pat Loney  
**Shari Luehring** ✕

St Monica Guild  
Julia Stamps ✕  
Margaret L. Stanberry ✕  
Shirley Rose Mary Stein ✕  
Nora Stewart ✕  
Bert, Kay and Terri Stieger  
Brett & Katie Stout  
Bill Stuhlsatz ✕  
Bill & Marilyn Stuhlsatz ✕  
Brock Stuhlsatz  
Kent & Jeannette Lund  
John & Betty J. Lux ✕  
Betty Jo Lyerla -  
memorial for library ✕  
Betty Jo Lyerla ✕  
James W. Lyle, Jr. ✕

James Madison ✕  
Ben Maimer ✕  
Pat Maimer ✕  
Sheila Maksimowicz  
Father Pat Malone  
Joseph L. Mamary ✕  
**Pat Mamary** ✕  
Marian Guild  
Charles Marlow ✕  
Cleo Marlow ✕  
Deborah Ann Marlow ✕  
Eva Marlow ✕  
Madalyn Antoniana Martin  
Jose Martinez Sr ✕  
Thelma Massions ✕  
Jamie Maugans ✕  
Jim & Phyllis Maxwell -  
40th 50th Anniversary  
Roseanna Maxwell ✕  
Clem & Martha May ✕  
Orsman McCammon ✕  
Jack McCarthy ✕  
Daniel J. McCoy ✕  
Eleanor McDonald ✕  
Donald Grant McFerson ✕  
Donald McFerson  
Jo McGovern ✕  
Annie McHenry  
Gregory M. McHenry ✕

Greg & Katie McHenry  
Katie McHenry  
Robert "Bo" McHenry ✕  
Betty L. McIntyre ✕  
Benito & Mary Mendoza  
Eduardo Mendoza ✕  
Ray & Myrna Messer  
Jennifer Miller ✕  
Ministers of the Homebound  
Jim Miser ✕  
Clarence Mitchell ✕  
Best Principal -  
Richard Montgomery  
Richard Montgomery  
Richard & Audrey Montgomery  
Melvin Moore ✕  
Manuel Rosa Moreira ✕  
Jack Morgan ✕  
Opal Morgan ✕  
Neva Mosley ✕  
Liddie Mossey  
Grace Eleanor Moyer ✕  
Lucille Munroe ✕  
Laura H. Murphy ✕  
Patricia L. Murrow ✕  
Joseph Murtha ✕  
Joe & Yvette Murtha  
-40th Anniversary  
Matthew Murtha ✕  
Jerry Muth ✕  
Theresa Myers ✕  
Theresa Nabity ✕  
Mary Navarro ✕  
Mamie Neeland ✕  
Jim Neises ✕  
Alvin & Louise Newell ✕  
Louise Newell ✕  
Armond & Ruby Newell  
Richard Newkold ✕  
Bob Newkold ✕  
Dr David & Cindy Niederee  
Jennie Nolan ✕  
Bud and Dorothy Nolting  
Doug Nolting  
Richard Noone ✕  
Burnette Norman ✕  
Bill Novak ✕  
Loretta & Earnest Nutsch ✕  
Raymond P O'Brien ✕  
Virginia Odle ✕  
Gertrude Olliges ✕  
Shirley Organ ✕  
Mary Margaret Orsman-Kelch-  
Chris & Janille Otts wedding  
Finley Grace Pahls

Christopher Palmer  
Douglas Palmer  
Michael Palmer  
Scott Palmer  
Keyton Pappas' 1st  
Communion  
Nikki Parks  
Loretta Pater ✕  
Rachel Patterson  
Agnes Pawloski ✕  
Bernard Pawloski ✕  
Bernard Pawloski Jr  
65th & 66th birthdays  
Kathy Pawloski ✕  
Richard Pawloski, 74th, 76th,  
79th, & 80th birthdays  
Robert Pawloski Sr, 72nd,  
77th, & 78th birthdays  
Jerome Peiffer ✕  
Monte Peterson  
Gerald Pierce  
Pinaire Family ✕  
Katy Pinaire's 6th birthday  
Kyle Phelps ✕  
Marge & Bob Plagmann ✕  
Bill Potter ✕  
Mary Lou Potter ✕  
Walter L. Powers ✕  
Powers  
Jeanie Provenzano ✕

David M. Rabe ✕  
Laverne M. Rabe ✕  
Nancy Rader  
Gerald Rafferty ✕  
**Therese Rafferty** ✕  
Hiram Rank ✕  
Greg & Jeannie Rau  
Greg & Sandy Rau  
Roman Rau ✕  
Sandy Rau ✕  
Jada Rausch ✕  
Norbert Reel ✕  
Edna Reyes ✕  
Jay Vincent Rhodes ✕  
Lucille Ricke ✕  
**Bob Riedmiller** ✕  
James Rinke ✕  
Chad and Jamie Roasa  
Carter Roberts ✕  
Jess Rodriguez ✕  
Alfreda Roets ✕  
JP & Michelle Rogers  
Edna Rohr ✕  
Fred Rohr ✕

Dr. Steven A. Rohr  
Joe Roman ✕  
Mary Ronnfeldt ✕  
Mike & Audrey Ronnfeldt  
Anthony Roman ✕  
Joaquina Flores Rosa ✕  
Henny Penny Rosen ✕  
Brenda Ross ✕  
Carol Roy ✕  
Marjorie Russell ✕  
Jim Ruane ✕  
Jose' G. Sanchez ✕  
Larry Sanchez ✕  
Jean Sanders ✕  
Pat Satterfield ✕  
Richard Schaffer ✕  
Margie Schieber  
Andy & Rachel Schmeidler  
Dan & Rhonda Schmeidler  
Gail Schmeidler  
James Schmeidler ✕  
James & Joan Schmeidler ✕  
Tom & Gail Schmeidler  
Sister Louise Schmid ✕  
Mildred Schmid ✕  
Father Wayne Schmid  
80th Birthday  
Father Wayne Schmid  
Father Wayne Schmid-  
50th Anniversary of Ordination  
Milton Schmidt  
Gwen Schoolcraft ✕  
Schneider  
J D Schoenhofer ✕  
Bill Schrader ✕  
The Sekerak family  
September 11 terrorist victims ✕  
Kathy Sexton  
Mildred Sexton ✕  
Steve Shavlik  
Bernice Sheahan ✕  
Ruth Sheahan ✕  
Brad Shelton  
Lexie Shelton  
**Agnes Sherman** ✕  
Clayton Shippers ✕  
**Bill Shively** ✕  
Hi Shumsky ✕  
George A Shurick Memorial ✕  
John Simbeck ✕  
Teresa Simbeck ✕  
Carl Simon ✕  
Evelyn Opal Simon ✕  
Mary Sink ✕

## SAINT MARY PARISH

### *Memorials and Honorariums as of Nov 15, 2023*

Kathy Slemp	Brett & Katie Stout	Charlotte Trujillo ✕	The Cynthia Wentworth family
Ann Smith ✕	Bill Stuhlsatz ✕	Jill & Lawrence Trujillo family	Kaitlyn Wentworth
Ann Jo Smith ✕	Bill & Marilyn Stuhlsatz ✕		Mary Jane Whitehair ✕
Brayden Smith	Brock Stuhlsatz		<a href="#">Sally Wiebe</a> ✕
Charles Smith ✕	Brock & Chloe Stuhlsatz	Bob & Joan VanBoening	Paul and Mary Wilber ✕
Craig & Kitty Smith	Bob & Davi Stuhlsatz	Heather VanNatta	<a href="#">Calvin Wilbert</a> ✕
Ed Smith	Davi Stuhlsatz Birthday	K Vaughn	Ellen Wilbert ✕
Ed & Kim Smith	Davi Stuhlsatz	Jeanine Veach ✕	Brianna Wildoner ✕
Michelle Smith	John Stuhlsatz	Frances Vicik ✕	Al & Norma Williams' 50th anniversary
Taylor Smith	John & Kathy Stuhlsatz	William Vicik ✕	The Bryan Williams family
Thelma Mitchell Smith	Kathy Stuhlsatz	Gerardo & Florentina Villar ✕	Connie Williams ✕
Connie Sommerhauser ✕	Marilyn Stuhlsatz ✕	<a href="#">Elaine VinZant</a> ✕	The Greg Williams family
Bill Sontag ✕	Marissa Jo Stuhlsatz ✕	Volunteers to the Parish	The Jim Williams family
<a href="#">Julia Sontag</a> ✕	Bryan Swank		The Mike Williams family
Logan Sontag ✕		Kathleen Wade ✕	Greg & Renae Williamson
Harold Sorenson ✕	Dorothy Takach ✕	Sharon Wallace ✕	Cat Wilson
Madeline Speed's birthday	Greg Talley ✕	Eric & Kathy Walsten	Clara J. Witters ✕
Andre Spence	Gai Thi Tan ✕	Charles Waple ✕	Lillian Wittman ✕
Ronald & Mary Spence ✕	Terry Tapp ✕	Teresa Waple ✕	Andy Wojcik ✕
Betty Srader ✕	Darlene DuLac Thompson ✕	Dave & Diniece Warlick	Ann Wolke ✕
St Anne's Guild	George & Irene Thyfault	Ray Warren ✕	Donald Wolke ✕
St Bernadette Guild members ✕	Tom Tichenor ✕	Virginia Warren ✕	Marie Wolke & family
St Francis Guild	Nadine C. Tiemeyer ✕	John Washburn	Philip Wolke Sr ✕
St Mary Class of 2012	Ben Titus ✕	Judy Webster, for school library ✕	Ralph Wolke ✕
St Mary faithful Stewards	Mary E. Titus ✕	Ralph Weigandt	Helen Woydziak ✕
St Mary Parish members ✕	Artura Torres ✕	Ralph & Carmen Weigandt	Dalton Wright
St Mary teachers & staff	Irene Trainer ✕	60th Anniversary	Harlan Wright, Sr. ✕
St Mary Parish staff	Trujillo Family	Bill Weilert	Jerry Young ✕
St Mary middle school teachers	Tully family	Logan Weinman– 1st Communion	
St Monica Guild	Jane Turner ✕	Haley Weinman– 1st Communion	
Julia Stamps ✕	Norm Urban ✕	Bert Wendling ✕	Victor & Louise Zeringue ✕
Margaret L. Stanberry ✕	Jane Ullom	Joe & Laura Wendling ✕	Steven L. Zirkle ✕
<a href="#">Shirley RoseMarie Stein</a> ✕	Joseph Wayne Tran ✕	<a href="#">Clarice Wenke</a> ✕	Sister Marie Zoglman
Nora Stewart ✕	Reagan Marie Tran		Roman Zoglman ✕
Bert, Kay and Terri Stieger	John Truex III ✕		

## Celebrating Life: Memorial & Honorarium Gifts

Consider making a memorial or honorarium gift as a warm and meaningful way to honor those who've passed, to celebrate life, or to express appreciation to our living community members. These gifts not only pay homage to loved ones but also contribute to a sense of togetherness among our parishioners.

Memorial gifts hold a special place, gracefully acknowledging the memories of those we've lost. On the flip side, honorarium gifts bring joy and gratitude to shared celebrations, uniting our community in moments of happiness.

These contributions go beyond sentimentality; they play a vital role in shaping the future of our faith community. Your support helps create spaces for spiritual growth and eases

parish debt, ensuring stability and growth in our shared journey of faith.

Giving is made simple with options like cards available in our gather space or envelopes that can be filled out for the parish staff to send. It's a heartfelt and effortlessly shared experience.

If you have any questions or need assistance, don't hesitate to reach out to our friendly parish office team at 316-788-5525 or [parish@stmarysderby.com](mailto:parish@stmarysderby.com).

We're always here to support those making a lasting impact. Together, let's celebrate life, honor the past, and build a foundation for the future with the strength of our shared faith.





*Kate Records, Pam Dyer, Fr. Michael Linnebur, Kellie Ketchersid, Dave Warlick*

## Putting Heads Together for an Amazing Parish

Dear Parishioners,

Not long after I arrived here at St. Mary's, I quickly realized that our parish is blessed in so many ways! We are a relatively young parish (median age of 37), and there is a lot of life coming and going on our campus (1,096 registered families). We are also blessed with a great school and many life-giving ministries, which are helping our parishioners to personally encounter Jesus in a whole host of ways. And this is really the purpose of a parish – to be a place and a family where we not only encounter Jesus, but also seek to live and grow together as His disciples.

And so, not long after I arrived here last July, I began to ask the question: Where is the Lord leading us here at St. Mary? It is still a question I ask and ponder often, as this is really His church, His school, His parish family. And as the pastor (and only priest) of this vibrant parish, I know all too well, that discerning the needs of our parish family is a pretty big task for one person.

With this in mind, last spring I began preparations for implementing the

Amazing Parish leadership model. This model focuses on a team-leadership approach in the parish, and is currently being used in a number of parishes in our Diocese. The premise for a team-leadership approach is simple: a group can lead more effectively than an individual, and the leader partnership can be incredibly helpful for a pastor when the volume of activities is high.

As a result, with the assistance of the Amazing Parish staff, last spring I discerned and prayed about who would be great candidates for joining me in this new Parish Leadership Team (PLT). After extending invitations, and their prayer and discernment about their involvement, our PLT was formed and now includes: Pam Dyer, Kellie Ketchersid, Kate Records, Dave Warlick, and myself.

In June, we traveled to the Amazing Parish Summit in Phoenix, Arizona, to gain a better understanding of this leadership model, and to learn how to apply it on a daily and weekly basis. What is unique to the Amazing Parish leadership model is that it focuses not only on the leadership of the parish, but also in building cultures of

unceasing prayer, healthy teamwork, and active discipleship in the parish.

Our PLT meets twice a week, not only to discern the needs of our parish, but also to pray together and for each other. We are seeking to grow in these cultures of prayer, teamwork, and discipleship among ourselves, so that we can then lead others here at St. Mary in doing the same. Above all, we are seeking to lead our parish family to become the disciples of Jesus that He so needs and desires.

I am incredibly grateful for the time, energy, and dedication that Pam, Kellie, Kate, and Dave continue to give for me and our parish on the PLT, in addition to the many “hats” they are already wearing. Please thank them when you see them, and please pray for our PLT and our parish family, that we may continue to become the people, the disciples, that Jesus is calling us to be. May God bless you and your families!

In Christ,

Fr. Michael Linnebur

# Called to follow Christ and form disciples



## A Radiant Solution: Stained Glass Panel

We are thrilled to share some exciting news that will bring both aesthetic beauty and practical relief to our church sanctuary. After careful consideration and with the input of our various dedicated committees the decision has been made to install a stunning stained glass panel in the East windows of our church.

One of the primary reasons behind this decision is to address the issue of the sun's glare during Mass. We understand that the radiant sun, while a symbol of divine light, has occasionally proven to be a distraction for some of our worshippers, causing discomfort as it filters through the East windows and shines directly into people's eyes.

To ensure that our congregation can fully immerse themselves in the serenity of the Mass without any hindrance, the stained glass panel will be strategically designed to filter and soften the sunlight. This addition will not only enhance the overall ambiance of the sanctuary but also provide a more comfortable worship environment for everyone.

The stained glass panel took shape through parishioner Gary Schmidt's original design, where he envisioned Mary in prayer at the foot of Jesus after his crucifixion. Gary found inspiration in the surroundings of St. Mary, drawing from the St. Mary statue at the school's entrance and

Jesus' feet on the Kapaun Crucifix.

In a collaborative effort with the church stained glass committee—Jan Sattler, Sue Gessler, and Sheila Maksimowicz and Gary—the design underwent refinement. Together, they added intricate patterns and vibrant colors, reflecting the spiritual essence and unity within our parish community. The end result is a beautiful masterpiece that captures the tranquility and togetherness of our shared faith.

The installation process is set to begin in late Spring to early Summer 2024, and we anticipate its completion in time for the upcoming 2024-25 school year.



*Catechist Brenda Jensen brings to life her lesson for her PSR students*

## Faith and Growth at PSR

This semester, in Parish School of Religion (PSR) our focus has been on deepening our understanding of the Scripture. Our younger students have delved into the stories of the Old Testament, bringing to life the tales of Noah's Ark and Moses with creative arts and crafts.

Our middle-grade students have been exploring the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. Through interactive sessions, they've discussed the parables and miracles of Jesus, developing a deeper understanding of His message of love and compassion. Their thoughtful questions and insightful reflections during these discussions are a clear indicator of their growing faith.

Apart from classroom learning, our students have prayed a rosary in front of the Marian Grotto. They have begun attending and participating in serving in Mass celebrated by Father Michael. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated catechists, supportive parents, and of course, our enthusiastic students, who make St. Mary PSR a place of faith, learning, and growth. May God bless our parish, our families, and our journey together in faith.

*- Jerrod Ketchersid, Director of Religious Education*



## Calendar: Dec 2023–Jan 2024

<b>Mon Dec 25</b>	Merry Christmas! Midnight & 9 am Mass today (NO 11 am) Parish Office and school closed
<b>Tue Dec 26</b>	Parish Office and school closed
<b>Wed Dec 27</b>	NO Youth Group, NO PSR
<b>Sat Dec 30</b>	Eve of the Eve dance (HS teens), 7 -11 pm, school commons
<b>Sun Dec 31</b>	<b>Vigil Mass, 6:30 pm</b>
<b>Mon Jan 1</b>	<b>Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God, holy day of obligation</b> <b>Mass at 8 am and 6:30 pm</b> Parish Office and school closed
<b>Wed Jan 3</b>	NO PSR Youth Group resumes, 7-8:30 pm, Portable
<b>Thu Jan 4</b>	SMPS resumes Confirmation Rehearsal, 7 pm, church RCIA, 7 pm, Rm 112
<b>Sat Jan 6</b>	Feast of Epiphany Confirmation, 10 am, church First Saturday Mass, 8 am Kapauns Men meets following Mass, Knights Hall The Lord's Diner
<b>Sun Jan 7</b>	Coffee & Donuts, 10–11 am, Knights Hall Children's Liturgy of the Word, 11 am Mass Prayer & Grief Support, 3:30 pm, Room 112
<b>Mon Jan 8</b>	Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm, Rm 114 Knights of Columbus General Meeting, 7 pm, Knights Hall
<b>Wed Jan 10</b>	AA meeting, 9:30 am, Faith Center Rm 114 PSR resumes, 6 pm, school Youth Group, 7-8:30 pm, Portable
<b>Thu, Jan 11</b>	Altar Society, 6:30 pm, K of C Hall RCIA, 7 pm, Rm 112 Epic Bible Study 7 pm, School Library
<b>Fri Jan 12</b>	Epic Bible Study, 9 am, Rm 112 Family Home Rosary group, 7 pm, Lund home
<b>Sat Jan 13</b>	Kapauns Men, 8 am, Knights Hall (all men welcome)
<b>Sun Jan 14</b>	Welcome/Parish Breakfast, after the 9 am Mass, Knights Hall Children's Liturgy of the Word, 11 am
<b>Mon Jan 15</b>	NO School Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm, Rm 114
<b>Tue Jan 16</b>	Walking With Purpose resumes, 9:30 am, Knights Hall Walking With Purpose resumes, 7 pm, Knights Hall
<b>Wed Jan 17</b>	<b>K of C Free Throw contest (ages 9-14), 3:30-5 pm, school gym</b> AA meeting, 9:30 am, Faith Center Rm 114 PSR, 6 pm, School NO Youth Group (HS youth on March for Life)
<b>Thu Jan 18</b>	MOYC, 7 pm, Knights Hall, babysitting in Rm 114 Epic Bible Study, 7 pm, School Library RCIA, 7 pm, Rm 112

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Carsen Nickelson painted a pumpkin for the homebound

## Youth Spiritual Growth

Written by: Brynn Covey,  
Calais Hickerson, and Cat Wilson

Youth Group is a fun-filled night held every Wednesday. It is a ministry geared toward middle and high school students, (they do not have to be a St. Mary student or even be a part of the parish to participate).

At each session, we do many fun activities including making cards for parish shut-in's, painting pumpkins for the parish homebound, baking for our annual craft fair bake sale, making donation boxes for children in the Wichita area that don't have much, and much more.

We also incorporate fun games that we play with our amazing game leader Debbie Funke. Some of these games include tag, kickball, volleyball, kill ball, eclipse ball, pickleball, dodge ball, gaga ball, play on the playground, and open gym time.

Throughout the night we learn about Jesus Christ with our awesome leaders Anni Johnson, Cat Wilson, Stacy Mitchell, and Don Roberson.

Our night always ends with night prayer, which is the BEST part of the night. We pray the Liturgy of the Hours evening prayer in the church, and then sing a really beautiful song we learned, *Salve Regina*, we sing in Latin.

Youth Group is open to everyone grades 6-12. We meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30. Fr. Michael comes to hang out with us when he is available. Join us!

## Save the Date for Totus Tuus

Save the Date! Totus Tuus is coming back to St. Mary this summer for students entering grades 1-12 for the 2024-25 school year! It will be June 9-15, 2024. We are fortunate this year to have been asked to host 3 teams, that means we will need housing for the week for 12 young adults (6 boys and 6 girls). If you are interested in hosting the Totus Tuus team members or helping with meals, please contact Cat at [cwilson@stmarysderby.com](mailto:cwilson@stmarysderby.com). Registration for Totus Tuus will begin in April.

## Calendar: Jan 2024 (cont.) & Looking ahead

<b>Fri Jan 19</b>	Epic Bible Study, 9 am, Rm 112 Family Home Rosary group, 7 pm, church March for Life 2024
<b>Sat Jan 20</b>	Kapauns Men, 8 am, Knights Hall (all men welcome)
<b>Sun Jan 21</b>	Coffee & Donuts, 10–11 am, Knights Hall Children's Liturgy of the Word, 11 am Mass Hot Dog Lunch & Welcome, after 11 am Mass, Knights Hall
<b>Mon Jan 22</b>	Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm, Rm 114 K of C officers, 7 pm, Knights Hall
<b>Tue Jan 23</b>	Walking With Purpose, 9:30 am, Knights Hall Walking With Purpose, 7 pm, Knights Hall
<b>Wed Jan 24</b>	AA meeting, 9:30 am, Faith Center Rm 114 PSR, 6 pm, School Youth Groups, 7 – 8:30 pm, Portable
<b>Thu Jan 25</b>	RCIA, 7 pm, Rm 112 Epic Bible Study, 7 pm, School Library
<b>Fri Jan 26</b>	Epic Bible Study, 9 am, Rm 112 Family Home Rosary group, 7 pm, church
<b>Sat, Jan 27</b>	Kapauns Men, 8 am, Knights Hall (all men welcome)
<b>Sun, Jan 28</b>	Catholic Schools Week begins Coffee & Donuts, 10–11 am, Knights Hall Children's Liturgy of the Word, 11 am Mass
<b>Mon Jan 29</b>	Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm, Faith Center Rm 114
<b>Tue Jan 30</b>	Walking With Purpose, 9:30 am, Knights Hall Walking With Purpose, 7 pm, Knights Hall

### LOOKING AHEAD

<b>Sat Feb 3</b>	Valentine Dinner & Dance, 6 pm, School Commons
<b>Wed Feb 14</b>	Lent begins, Ash Wednesday Masses at 8 am and 6:30 pm
<b>Mon Mar 11</b>	Spring Break, no school this week, no other faith formation sessions
<b>Sat Mar 30</b>	Easter Vigil, 8 pm Mass
<b>Sun Mar 31</b>	Easter Sunday, 9 & 11 am Mass, overflow seating in School Commons
<b>Sat May 4</b>	First Communion, 10 am
<b>Wed May 22</b>	School dismisses at noon for Summer

## Rest in Peace

Please remember in your prayers these parishioners who have died since Easter:

**Marcia DuLac**, wife of Keith; mother of Brian DuLac, Michelle Smith, Regina DuLac, and Sean DuLac, died on April 9.

**Joanne Marie Gaulin**, mother of Karen, Debi, Cathy, Mark, and Robert, died on April 17.

**Patricia "Pat" Herndon**, grandmother to eight grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren, died on April 22.

**Dorothy Roth**, wife of Ralph; mother of two children, and grandmother to numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, died on April 29.

**Rosemary Cheney**, wife of George; mother to Susan Rae, died April 30.

**Thayne J. Ellis**, wife of Hayden; mother of two and grandmother to numerous children, died on June 8.

**Bill Shively**, husband of Susie, father of Jeffrey, Kent, Yvonne "Bonnie" Brewer,

Michael, William H. Shively Jr, and Dana Wappelhorst, step-father to Larry Ewart, and Carla Wright, died on July 2.

**Greg Krueger**, husband of Nancy, father of Mitch, Amy Cline, and Nathan, grandfather to six grandchildren and one great-grandchild, died Aug 4.

**John Bohrer**, husband of Diane, died Sept 18.

**Matthew Gibfried**, father of Joe and Alisha McQuillan, grandfather to three grandchildren, died Sept 28.

**Mary "Joyce" Bailey**, wife of Gary, mother of Todd, Susan Adams, and Angela Tomlinson, grandmother to numerous grandchildren, died on Oct 28.

**Bob Riedmiller**, husband of Shirley; father of David, Marcia, Karen Romero, Roger, and Barbara; grandfather to eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, died Oct 29.

# Thank you!

To everyone that extended a greeting to a newcomer, mentored a new family, visited after Mass, helped with a child or an event, or shared your gifts this year! It is because of you that we have such a friendly and welcoming parish. Keep it up!

### NEWCOMERS

A warm welcome to our parish family. Please call the Parish Office, 316-788-5525, email [parish@stmarysderby.com](mailto:parish@stmarysderby.com) or visit [stmarysderby.com](http://stmarysderby.com) for registration information.

### MASSES

Mass is at 8 am Tues-Fri, 5 pm on Saturday and 9 and 11 am Sunday.

Sunday 9 am Mass is live-streamed on our parish YouTube channel, [youtube.com/saintmarysderby](https://youtube.com/saintmarysderby).

### ALL PARISHIONERS

Please keep us informed of changes in names, addresses, phone #'s etc. to update our files.

### SACRAMENTS

Our loving God always welcomes us back, and forgives our sins. –Fr Michael

**Reconciliation:** Tue-Fri, 7:30-7:55 am, Sat 3:30-4:30 pm, and by appointment

**Baptism, Anointing, Marriage, or Funerals** Contact the parish office, 316-788-5525 or [parish@stmarysderby.com](mailto:parish@stmarysderby.com).

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