

ST. MARY PARISH

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April 26, 2026

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,

11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation

8:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM

Confession

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Or by appointment

Adoration

First Fridays

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Fourth Tuesdays

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Infant Mary Chapel

Monday - Saturday

8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 pm



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



"Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out." - Jn 10:2-3

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Sacrament + Formation Info

Infant Baptism: Baptism Preparation process: 1. Pick up the Baptism Registration Packet from the Parish Office during normal business hours. 2. Turn in completed paperwork to the Parish Office. 3. Attend Baptism Class (parents & godparents). 4. Schedule Baptism.

CFF: Catholic youth are formed through the Catholic Faith Formation program (CFF). Please contact Monica Saldana for info.

Marriage: Contact the Parish Office 6 months prior to desired wedding date to begin marriage preparation.

RCIA: Process for adults and children (7+) who are interested in joining the Catholic Church, and baptized Catholics wanting to complete their Sacraments of Initiation. Please contact Michelle Mills at (916) 806-6876.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office.

Online Giving



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PARISH NEWS

This Week at St. Mary Parish

SUNDAY

@LIFED 12:15 pm
Location: St. Joseph's Garden

MONDAY

Prayer Request Group 6:30 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

TUESDAY

4th Tuesday Adoration & Confession 6:30 pm
Location: Church

WEDNESDAY

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

THURSDAY

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

FRIDAY

1st Friday Adoration 8:30 am - 12 noon
Location: Infant Mary Chapel

SATURDAY

Confession..... 3:30 pm
Location: Church

SUNDAY

Stella Maris YA Sunday Dinner..... 6:30 pm
Location: Giovanni Hall

Looking Ahead

Be sure to mark your calendars for these important upcoming parish events and dates!

- **August 16th:** 94th Annual Parish Festival

This Week's 2nd Collection: Catholic Home Missions

This weekend's Second Collection is to help strengthen the Church at home by supporting essential pastoral programs in financially challenged dioceses in the United States. Thank you for your generosity!

Interested in the Usher and Safety Observer program?



Scan Here!



La Dolce Vita
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH
10 AM - 8 PM

We are looking for volunteers **to take lead** of different parts of the Festival this year!

Lead opportunities include:

- Raffle
- Kids' games
- Decorations
- Marketing
- Vendors
- Sponsors

Interested?
Email: festival@stmarysacto.org

Annual Sacramento Classic: Basketball Game - Diocesan + Seminarians.

Please join the Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations, for the Annual Sacramento Classic: Basketball: Priests + Seminarians on Tuesday, June 16, 2026 at Christian Brothers High School in Sacramento-Gym. Cost of tickets: Adults \$15, Students \$5 (K-College), and Group of 6 adult tickets \$60. Children age 4 and under, Religious Sisters, Deacons and Priests are FREE. Tickets can be purchased online at www.scd.org/basketball or for further questions, please contact the Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations at (916) 733-0258.

Funeral Hospitality Ministry

As a Parish, we continually seek ways to support one another, especially during times of loss and grief. The St Mary Funeral Hospitality Ministry provides comfort to parishioner families during a difficult time, but we need your help! We need volunteers to serve, as well bringing salads and desserts for upcoming funerals. Your contributions can make a significant difference in providing support to grieving families, allowing them a moment to gather, share memories, and find comfort in our fellowship.

If you are able to assist, please contact Kris Alvarez at 916-803-4687, or krisalvarez1@yahoo.com. We are grateful for any help you can offer, whether it's serving on the day of the gathering or preparing a dish to share. Thank you for your consideration and generosity in serving our Parish.

Taking Holy Communion to the Homebound

If you are trained to take Holy Communion to the homebound, please bring your pyx to the sacristy before Mass. Father will place it on the altar table and call you up after Communion is distributed to give you the pyx and a blessing. If you don't make it before Mass, please see Father immediately after Mass.

Celebrate & Pray for

Gabriel Lockwood Neal
SMS Class of 2011
on his Ordination to the Priesthood
Saturday May 9th, 2026
St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, UK



O Jesus, our great High Priest, hear our humble prayers on behalf of your priest, Father Gabriel. Give him a deep faith, a bright and firm hope, and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of his priestly life.

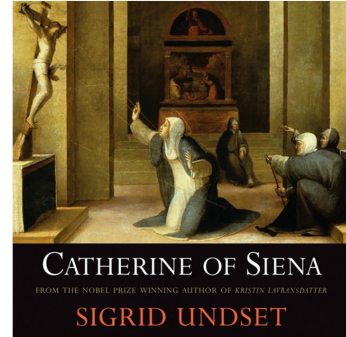
In his loneliness, comfort him; in his sorrow, strengthen him; in his frustration, point out to him that it is through suffering that the soul is purified. Show him that he is needed by the Church, he is needed by souls, he is needed for the work of redemption.

O loving Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Priests, take to your heart your son who is close to you because of his priestly ordination, and because of the power which he has received to carry on the work of Christ in a world which needs him so much. Be his comfort, be his joy, be his strength, and especially help him to live and to defend the ideal of consecrated celibacy. Amen.



We want to celebrate your highlights too! Submit your wedding, baptism or other sacrament information to: pastoralcouncil@stmarysacto.org or call the parish office at 916-452-0296.

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ST. MARY PARISH
Parish Festival
2026 | 94TH ANNUAL

La Dolce Vita
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH
10 AM - 8 PM

Questions?
Email: festival@stmarysacto.org

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MASS WITH BISHOP JAIME SOTO

Sunday, May 3rd | 9:30 AM

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LITURGY & PRAYER

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil, April 25

5:00 PM Carlos Sierra † (*Gemma Demendoza*)

Sunday, April 26

8:00 AM Lillian Clifford (*Lillian Clifford*)

9:30 AM For our parishioners (*St. Mary Parish*)

11:00 AM Bore Bilandzich (*Katarina Bilandzich*)

5:00 PM Zemira Devechio † (*Becker Family*)

Monday, April 27

8:00 AM Gina Tomaiuolo (*St. Mary Parish*)

Eugene Olea (*Becker Family*)

Tuesday, April 28

8:00 AM All 1st Responders (*Becker Family*)

Karen Kriske † (*Emily Rossi*)

Wednesday, April 29

8:00 AM Deceased members of the Duran Family †
(*Virginia Riggins*)

Thursday, April 30

8:00 AM Francisco & Rosanna Montesinos (*V Riggins*)

Holy Souls in Purgatory † (*Becker Family*)

Friday, May 1

8:00 AM Anthony DeCristoforo † (*DeCristoforo Family*)

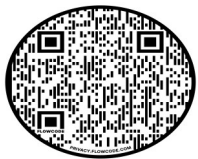
Saturday, May 2

8:00 AM Francisco Montesinos, IV (*Virginia Riggins*)

Next Week's 2nd Collection: Building & Maintenance Fund

Next weekend's Second Collection is for our Parish Building & Maintenance Fund. The money donated goes towards repairing and maintaining our aging parish campus. Thank you for your faithful generosity!

Online Worship Aid



Scan the QR code for access to this week's Worship Aid, that provides all of the liturgical content used for the Mass (readings, music, etc).

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/ Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18 (second choice)

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/ Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5a/ Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/ Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/ Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

Clergy Corner



This Sunday is also observed as the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**, when the Church invites us to pray in a special way for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated religious life. The call of Jesus continues today. He still calls men and women to serve His people, to proclaim His Word, and to witness His love in unique ways.

Every vocation begins with listening. In a world filled with noise, distractions, and busyness, it can be difficult to hear the gentle voice of the Lord. Yet, God continues to speak — through prayer, Scripture, the sacraments, and the quiet movements of the heart. When we pray for vocations, we are also praying that people will have the courage to listen and respond generously.

This reflection becomes even more meaningful as we approach **May 1st, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker**. St. Joseph listened to God in silence and responded with faithful action. He did not seek recognition or honor, yet his quiet “yes” changed the course of salvation history. As a humble worker, protector of the Holy Family, and faithful servant, St. Joseph reminds us that every vocation — whether priesthood, religious life, marriage, or dedicated single life — is a call to serve God through our daily work and responsibilities.

Today, we are invited to pray:

- For young people discerning God's call
- For priests, deacons, and religious who serve faithfully
- For families, that they may nurture vocations
- For all workers, that their labor may reflect dignity and purpose

May the Good Shepherd guide our parish, and through the intercession of St. Joseph the Worker, may we all listen attentively and respond generously to God's call in our lives.

Let us continue to pray:

“Lord, send laborers into your harvest.”

Fr. George Thadathil, CMI

Pastor

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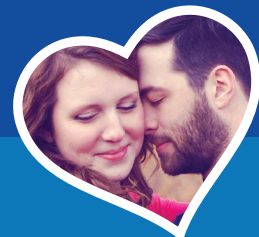
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