ST. MARY PARISH

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August 14, 2022

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 Thursdays
7:00 - 8:00 PM
First Fridays
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Infant Mary Chapel
Monday - Saturday
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Parish Office Hours
Monday - Friday
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

20th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" - Lk 12:49

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Sacrament + Formation Info

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

Infant Baptism: Contact the Parish Office. Parents and godparents must attend class.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office regarding sick and elderly who are at home, hospitals or special care facilities.

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.

CFF: Catholic youth are formed through the Catholic Faith Formation program (CFF). Please contact Cindy Blecha at cff@stmarysacto.org.

Our Mission Statement

St. Mary Parish prepares and sustains its members and guests for a life and eternity in the presence of God. In accomplishing our mission, we proclaim and celebrate our salvation through Jesus Christ enlivened by the Holy Spirit, nourish our sacramental life especially in the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist, and demonstrate our faith worshiping, educating, serving and encouraging vocations.

ST. MARY PARISH SCHOOL

As a ministry of St. Mary Parish,
guided by the life of Jesus Christ and His Blessed Mother,
we love with devotion, learn with passion
and lead with faith.

To enroll in Preschool/TK through 8th grade, please contact principal, Mary DaRosa, at (916) 452-1100 or find more information on our website:
www.saintmaryschool.com

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Monday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/ Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

Prayer Request Group

St. Mary's Prayer Request Group is here to pray for you. Please submit your prayer requests in the Prayer Request box in the vestibule of the church, or by email to prayergroup@stmarysacto.org.

Online Worship Aid

Each week we produce a Worship Aid that provides all of the liturgical content used for the Sunday Mass (readings, music, etc). Scan the QR code with your phone for access to this week's Worship Aid.

Mass Intentions

August 13 - August 20

Saturday Vigil, August 13
5:00 PM Archie Bugatto † (by *Wife)*

Sunday, August 14
8:00 AM Bob Carvalho-Lehmann † *(by Barbara Carvalho-Lehmann)*
9:30 AM Irma & Joe La Brasca † *(by Katarina* Bilandzich*)*
11:00 AM For the people/Clergy & Religious (*the Parish)*
5:00 PM Michael Lemkuelt † *(by Theresa Vinciguerra)*

Monday, August 15
8:00 AM James Johnson † *(by Ginny Johnson)*
Fr. Kavungal Davy, CMI *(by Mary Kassis)*

Tuesday, August 16
8:00 AM Wendy Carmona (by Jean Connors)
Pete Rossi † *(by Florinda Fantasia)*

Wednesday, August 17
8:00 AM Cecilia Chambers † (*by Nancy Affinito)*
Teri Hodges † (*by Susan French & Laura Hodges)*

Thursday, August 18
8:00 AM Nickola Bilandzich (*by Lilian & Nick Clifford)*
Najat Stephan † (*by Rita Simon)*

Friday, August 19
8:00 AM Christopher Golowski † *(by Tom Golowski)*
Aquilino Bernales † (*by Lucy Palmer, Susan Santos)*

Saturday, August 20
8:00 AM Lino Carolo † *(by the Ielati Family)*

Requesting Mass Intentions

The Catholic Church has a long tradition of offering Masses for special intentions and for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed.

Mass Intentions at St. Mary's are now open to request through August 14, 2023. (Per Canon Law [canon 953], Mass intentions may not be scheduled more than one year in advance.) *To make your request*, please download the Mass Intention Request Form from our website or visit the parish office during normal business hours.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday

Happy 100th Birthday to Irma Micone.
August 17, 2022

Welcome to the Faith

to those recently Baptized 7/31

Markus Audie Hendrix
son of Catherine Durate

Lily Chritian McCoy
dauthter of Sean & Whitney McCoy

Please remember our newly baptized and their parents in your prayers!

Feast Day this week

Monday August 15 is the solemnity of the Assumption of our Blessed Mother. This is usually a Holy Day of Obligation unless it falls on a Saturday or a Monday. We will have regular daily Mass at 8:00 am. We'd love to see you join us!

This Weekend's Second Collection

This weekend's Second Collection is for the Church in Latin America!

Clergy Corner

From the first reading this Sunday we read about a very cruel attitude towards a holy man; "And they took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern . . . letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the cistern, only mud, and Jeremiah sank in the mud." It is a miserable scene. Jeremiah was probably the most misunderstood and mistreated prophet. He had the misfortune of living at the time of the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple by the Babylonians. Besides all adverse situations he did not give up his prophetic mission from God.

Jeremiah had an essential virtue which we all can imitate: the virtue of fortitude. In the words of the Catechism of the Catholic Church: "Fortitude is the moral virtue that ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in the pursuit of good" (CCC, no. 1808). We admire people keep struggling to achieve a noble goal. It is the virtue of the athlete, the soldier, the mountain climber, and above all, of the saint. Saints are men and women who don't quit or run away when they face obstacles.

This week our school begins a new academic year. Parents are the first teachers of their children. They should teach fortitude and endurance to their children. They set guidelines for proper behavior at home. They should motivate the children who are lazy, disobedient, or disrespectful.

The followers of Christ need to be strong in spiritual matters. At times it will not be easy to get up and go to Mass on a cold and rainy Sunday. It will not be easy to commit to a daily plan of prayer. It will not be easy to be patient and kind with people who annoy us. For this kind of strength we need God's grace.

Saint Thomas Aquinas distinguishes three aspects of the virtue of fortitude: to begin a difficult task, to persevere in it, and to finish it. God will give us the grace to complete it if we ask for help. Let's ask the intercession of the blessed mother Mary. Let's pray for strength to resist human fears and doubts. Then we will be able to win over all kinds of adverse situations and become faithful followers of Jesus who gloriously conquered suffering and death.

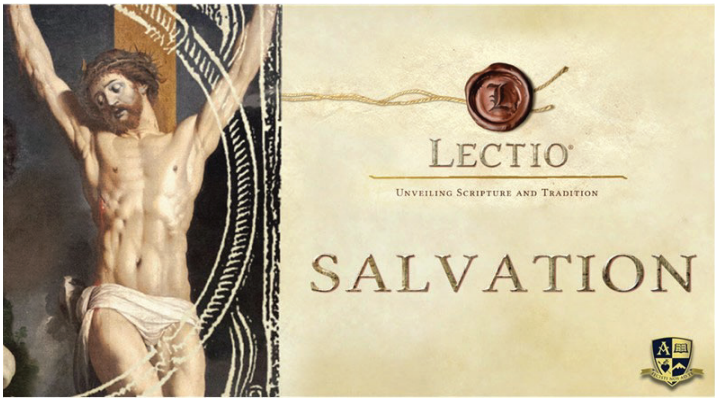
Wishing you a happy feast of the Assumption of mother Mary!

Fr. Kavungal Davy, CMI
Pastor

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMEMBRANCE MASS

Each month in 2022, we will be holding special Remembrance Masses to bless and remember specific groups of people. In August, we will celebrate **Clergy & Religious**. If you are a member of the Clergy or a Religious group, or have a family member or friend that you want to remember, please join us this weekend to receive a special blessing!



Fall Bible Study

In only 15-20 minutes a day you can grow in knowledge and faith! Come join in the study on Salvation using materials from the Augustine Institute. Learn what redemption and salvation are all about. Discover what the Bible says about why Jesus Christ came into this world to save us. We will journey together into the great mystery of Christ's own life and love offered for us.

Sessions: Tuesdays at 7pm,

Starting September 6th

Cost: $15 per person

Open to all ages teen - adult

To register, and get materials, contact:

Gwen Devereux
| biblestudy@stmarysacto.org| 916.281.9353

or reach out through the Bible Study Group in the MyParish app.

CFF Registration This Sunday August 14

CFF Registration in front of the Church after this Sunday's morning Masses. Please bring a completed registration form for each child, baptism certificates and payment.

LIFELONG FORMATION

Sunday Reading Reflections

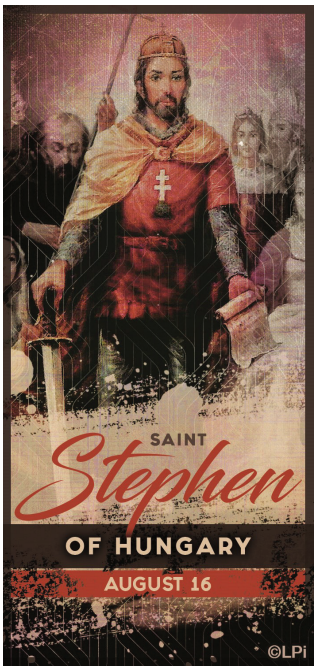
First Reading: The court official, Ebed-melech, courageously advocated for the prophet Jeremiah, having him recused from the muddy cistern. When have you defended someone being ridiculed for their faith?

Second Reading: The author of Hebrews encourages his community to remain strong in their faith in Jesus. What or who helps you when you feel spiritually discouraged?

Gospel: Jesus forewarned his disciples that his message would bring division, even within families. How does your family deal with this type of tension? ©LPi

Saint of the Week

Born a pagan in the 10th century Saint Stephen was baptized as a boy when his father converted to Christianity. Saint Stephen married Gisela, daughter of Duke Henry II of Bavaria who would become Saint Henry II. He succeeded his father as leader and began to transform the nation into a Christian kingdom.

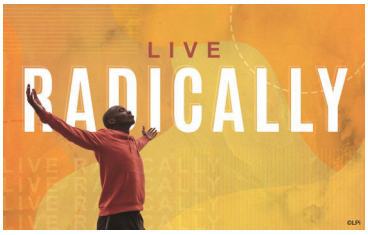


Pope Sylvester II proclaimed him the first king of Hungary in 1001, sending him a crown and gold processional cross. The crown, made in the Byzantine style, has become a symbol of Hungarian nationhood.

King Stephen's reign was a relatively peaceful and prosperous time. He outlawed paganism, mandated church building, and tithing for support of the parish, and commanded all to marry except clergy and religious. He founded a Benedictine monastery, and Hungary became an important place along the route to the Holy Land for many pilgrims.

Unfortunately, Stephen's son and heir died in a hunting accident, causing much conflict over the succession when the saint died. Eventually the kingdom was won back for Christendom and father and son were canonized in 1083 by Pope St. Gregory VII. Saint Stephen I is now patron saint of Hungary. ©LPi

Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the Week



There is a "great cloud of witnesses" found in the official saints of the church and in ordinary people we meet every day. They are faith-filled inspirations who, by their example, help us to persevere in our faith. Living in a sea of conflict, change, challenge, and confusion, it is easy to grow tired and get weary. With so many things in competition for our attention, it is challenging to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and the Kingdom of God. We have to keep running the race and continue proclaiming the Good News. This message is not always welcome. It can cause division, challenge accepted mindsets, ruffle peoples' feathers, and cause some folks to become defensive. God's ways are not always our ways. Even though often rejected by the world, the message of God in Jesus Christ must continue to be preached. We can rely on the examples of faith before us and around us and not lose heart. As Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we. ©LPi

90TH ANNUAL
St. Mary's Parish
Festival

LITTLE ITALY
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SACRAMENTO

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20th
5:00 pm

Concessions

- Water, soda, and full bar.
- A variety of sweets
- Plant booth
- Altar Society handmade items
- Pull tabs to play
- Corn hole
- Booths for the kids to enjoy
- A chance to play ping-pong with the priests!

Many Raffle Prizes Available Too!

Purchase both the Chicken Dinner and Raffle Tickets here: www.stmarysacto.org

Chicken Dinner

Purchase ahead of time!

Full adult meal $25
Half meal $18

Pick up take-out at 5:00pm from Giovanni Hall

Dinner served at 6:30pm

With the camera on your device, focus on the QR Code here. The phone automatically scans the code. Touch the view to get you to the website.

Volunteers are needed! mfrasca@saintmaryschool.com

Raffle Prizes Include: $1,000 Cash; a week at the WorldMark Windsor Resort, Russian River Valley; a Traeger Wood Pellet Grill; Dinner with Father Davy & Father George; gift certificates from Corti Brothers, V. Miller Meats, Mattone Ristorante, One Speed Pizza, Ninja Sushi, Club 56 & Vince's Ristorante; Craft Spirits & flight tastings from J.J. Pfister Distilling and more prizes added daily.

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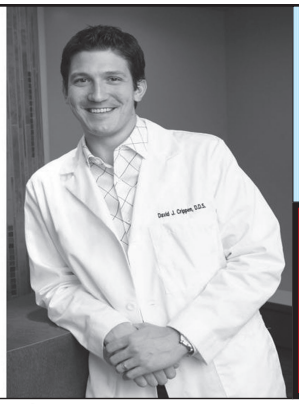

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