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August 16, 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



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's
daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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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.

OCIA: 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



Please consider enrolling in St. Mary's eGiving program and setting up your recurring or one time donation to our general offertory or building fund! Sign up today by scanning the QR code and following the link. We thank you for your faithful generosity to our parish community!



ST. MARY FAMILY DAY AT SAC REPUBLIC FC

Bring your family and friends for an unforgettable night of soccer, celebration, and matchday excitement!

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PARISH NEWS

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This Week at St. Mary Parish

SUNDAY

Parish Festival 10:00 am
Location: Giovanni Hall/Outdoor Area

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

Stella Maris Prayer & Gospel Reflection.... 6:30 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

WEDNESDAY

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

THURSDAY

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Confession 3:30 pm
Location: Church

NEXT SUNDAY

Join Us & be a part of Building the Faith of our youngest parishioners.



Our Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume next month. The CLoW Ministry is looking for adult and teen volunteers to share the Liturgy of the Word with school-aged parishioners in an engaging and age-appropriate format during the Sunday 9:30 AM Mass. Materials to lead are provided, you'll find this opportunity so fulfilling as you help our youngest parishioners learn about our faith. Finger-printing, Mandated Reporter, and Safe Haven required for adult volunteers. For questions or to volunteer, email clow@stmarysacto.org

St. Mary Parish Bible Study

beginning Tuesday September 1, 2026 from 7-8:30 pm in Giovanni Hall

We will use materials from Augustine Institute and studying "God, The Mystery of the Trinity in the Bible." We will use formed.org videos for this study. The meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. If you are interested please email Lanni Butterworth @ alannab5959@gmail.com

Looking Ahead

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

- August 15-30: Saint Mary School Strategic Plan Survey
- August 23rd: 1st Meeting @LIFED, High School Ministry
- September 1st: Bible Study begins
- September 2nd: Catholic Faith Formation begins

Catholic FAITH FORMATION



Sign-ups are now open!
Classes are every Wednesday from
6:00pm to 7:00pm starting
September 2, 2026



Questions? or interested in becoming a Catechist?
Contact Monica Saldana, CFF Coordinator, at cff@stmarysacto.org



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ST. MARY PARISH SCHOOL

Strategic Plan Initiative: Our School, Our Children, and Our Future:

2026 Parish/School Partnership Community Survey

Please help us shape the next century of Catholic education.

As we celebrate 94 years of faith, fellowship, and community, we invite every parishioner to share their voice as we prayerfully discern the future of St. Mary Parish School.

Survey Dates

August 15-30, 2026

Why participate?

- Share your hopes for Catholic education
- Help identify priorities for our Strategic Plan
- Strengthen our parish and school community
- Ensure every voice is heard

Ways to Participate

- Scan the QR code
- Complete a paper survey in the church pews or at the back of church
- Visit the Parish Council table during the Parish Festival
- Return paper surveys in the collection basket or parish rectory

SCAN TO TAKE THE SURVEY



Every Response Matters!

Mary's faithful "yes" reminds us that we are each invited to respond with generosity, trust, and faithfulness in service to our parish community.

Thank you for partnering with us in shaping the next chapter of our shared story!

For more information, please contact: strategicplan@saintmaryschool.com

NEWS & EVENTS

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high school youth ministry

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living in faith every day

join us monthly for

- day hikes
- spiritual & corporal acts of mercy
- seasonal events
- games
- group lunches
- prayer
- deep conversations about faith, catechism, & how Catholicism fits into our daily lives

Starts **SUNDAY AUG 23 12:30 P.M.**
St. Joseph's Garden

To learn more, scan here or email: hsyouth@stmarysacto.org 

Join Us

ST. MARY PARISH

Parish Festival

2026 | 94TH ANNUAL

La Dolce Vita

SUNDAY!

It all begins at 10:00 AM

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 SEP 18-20, 2026 ST. FRANCIS RETREAT CENTER SAN JUAN BAUTISTA, CA	 NOV 20-22, 2026 HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS BENICIA, CA

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Pray with the Pope

The Pope's August Intention:
For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community. For Video go to: www.popesprayer.va/praywiththepope



LITURGY & PRAYER

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil, August 15

5:00 PM Charles Luce (*Lilian & Nick Clifford*)

Sunday, August 16

8:00 AM For our parishioners (*St. Mary Parish*)

9:30 AM Phillip Riggins † (*Virginia Riggins*)

11:00 AM Emily Rossi (*Mary Kassis*)

5:00 PM Gwyneth Cavagnaro †
(*Andy & Elise Cavagnaro*)

Monday, August 17

8:00 AM Brian Liebig † (*Ron Pane & Family*)
Deacon Lu Del Gaudio (*Katarina Bilandzich*)

Tuesday, August 18

8:00 AM Karen Kriske † (*The Ielati Family*)
The Primiano Family † (*Cathie Carvalho*)

Wednesday, August 19

8:00 AM Marilyn Temple (*Deacon George Kriske*)

Thursday, August 20

8:00 AM Louis McDermott † (*Barbara McDermott*)
Lino Carolo † (*The Ielati Family*)

Friday, August 21

8:00 AM For our parishioners (*St. Mary Parish*)

Saturday, August 22

8:00 AM Debbie Webb (*St. Mary Parish*)

Interested in the Usher and
Safety Observer program?
Scan Here!



Weekly Readings

Sun: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/
Mt 15:21-28

Mon: Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 19:16-22

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

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

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

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

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

Next Sun: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/Rom 11:33-
36/ Mt 16:13-20



Clergy Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend is a special moment of grace for our parish family as we celebrate the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time together with the Feast of St. Mary's Parish. It is a joyful opportunity to thank God for the many blessings He has poured upon our community through the loving intercession of our Blessed Mother.

The Gospel this Sunday reminds us that faith is never wasted. God hears every sincere prayer, even when the answer seems delayed. He invites us to trust Him with patient and unwavering hearts. Faith grows stronger when we refuse to give up, even in moments of silence, suffering, or uncertainty.

Our families today are called to become places where faith is lived every day. A beautiful home is not built merely with walls and furniture but with love, forgiveness, prayer, and mutual respect. Children learn their first lessons of faith not from books but by watching their parents pray, forgive, and care for one another. The greatest inheritance we can leave our children is not wealth but a living faith in Jesus Christ.

There is a touching story about a little girl whose grandmother asked her, "What is the safest place in the world?" The child smiled and answered, "Holding my mother's hand." The grandmother gently replied, "Yes, and the safest place for every family is holding God's hand." Those simple words remind us that when Christ is at the center of our homes, no storm can destroy the foundation of our family.

My Dear young people, I offer a special word of encouragement. The world will often tell you to follow the crowd, but Jesus invites you to follow Him. Do not be afraid to stand for truth, honesty, compassion, and purity of heart. God has created each of you with a unique purpose. Never underestimate what He can accomplish through a young person who trusts Him completely. Do not allow the world to steal your dreams or your faith. Be young men and women who carry Christ's light wherever you go.

As we celebrate our parish feast, let us remember that our parish is much more than a building. It is a family of believers united by faith and nourished by the Eucharist. Every prayer offered, every act of kindness, every volunteer, every ministry, every child, every young person, every family, and every senior member helps make St. Mary's Parish a living witness to God's love.

May this feast renew our commitment to love one another more deeply, to strengthen our families through prayer, to encourage our young people to walk with Christ, and to welcome everyone who comes through our parish doors with the warmth of God's love.

May our Blessed Mother Mary continue to watch over every family, protect our children and youth, comfort those who are suffering, and lead each one of us closer to her Son, Jesus.

Wishing you all a blessed and joyful Parish Feast!
Fr. George Mathai, CMI, Parochial Vicar

Wrongfully hurt? We are here to help.

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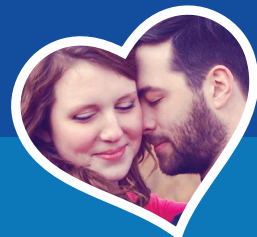
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