

ST. MARY PARISH

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August 23, 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

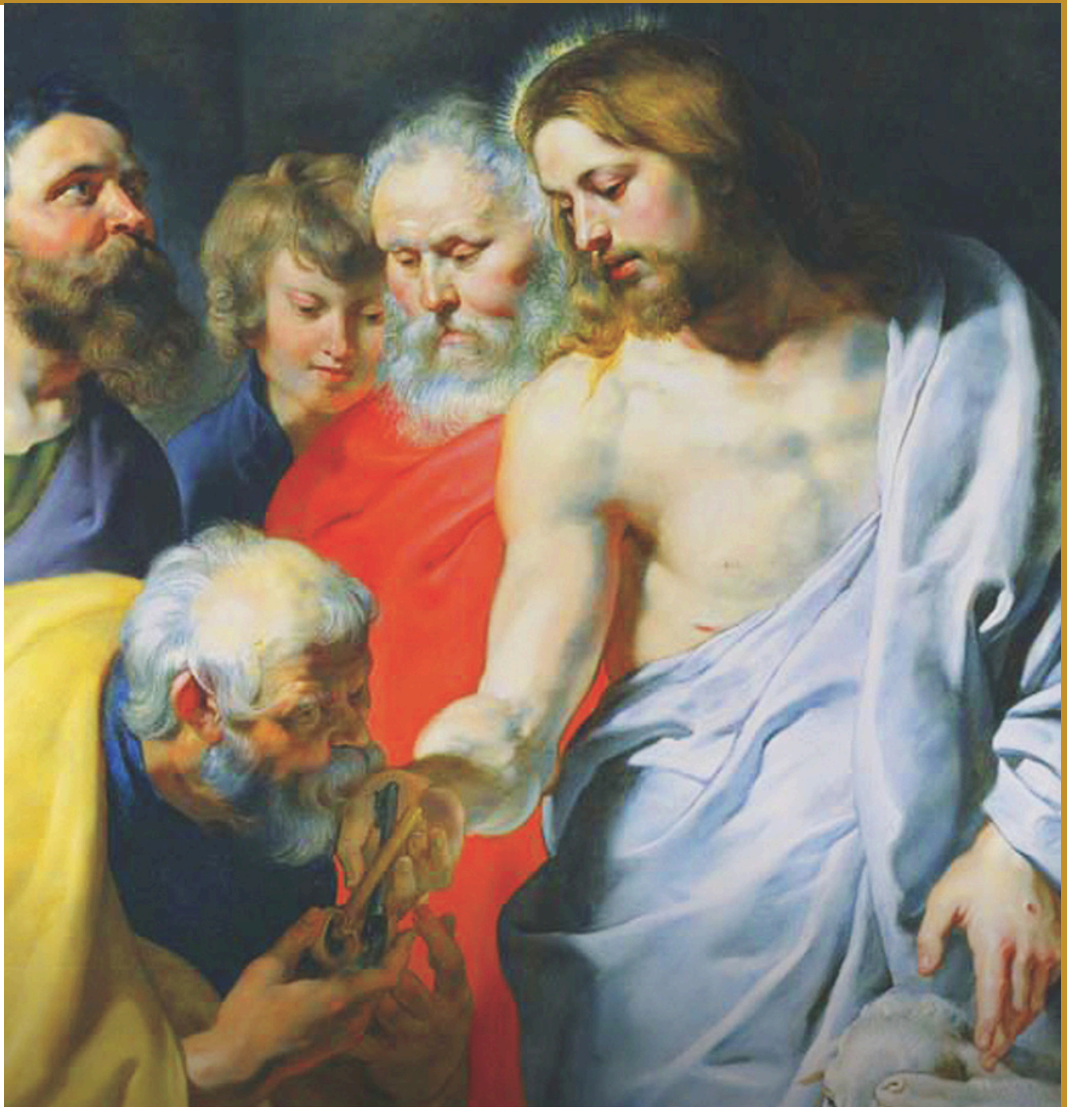
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Closed for Lunch 12:30 - 1:30 PM



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

PARISH INFO

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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.

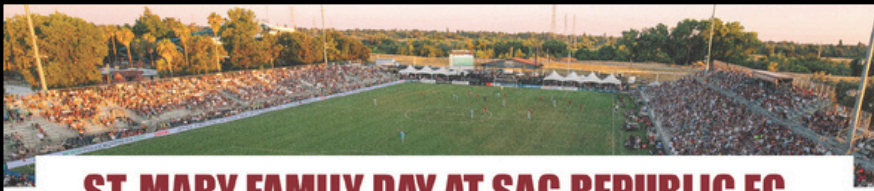
Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office

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PARISH NEWS

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This Week at St. Mary Parish

SUNDAY

@LIFED.....12:30 pm
Location: St. Joseph's Garden

MONDAY

Prayer Request Group6:30 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

Choir Rehearsal6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

THURSDAY

Choir Rehearsal6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Confession3:30 pm
Location: Church

NEXT SUNDAY

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
- September 1st: Bible Study begins
- September 2nd: Catholic Faith Formation begins

Next Week's 2nd Collection

Next weekend's Second Collection is for our St. Vincent de Paul Society. The money you donate is used to help our neighbors in need with food, rent, utilities and other necessities. Thank you for your generosity!

Please Return your Festival Yard Signs

Annual Festival

If you checked out a yard sign for this year's Parish Festival, we ask that you return them to the table in front of the church after any of the Masses next weekend (Aug. 29/30). Please check in with the volunteers when returning your sign so that they can check you off the list. Thank you for helping to promote the Parish Festival!

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2026 PARISH COMMUNITY SURVEY

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Make Room for Your Voice.

As we celebrate 94 years of faith, fellowship, and community, we're inviting every parishioner to help shape the future of St. Mary Parish School.

Your voice will help us prayerfully discern how our parish and school can continue serving future generations.

**SURVEY DATES**
August 15–30, 2026

**WHY PARTICIPATE?**

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

**WAYS TO PARTICIPATE**

- ✓ Scan the QR Code
- ✓ Pick up a paper survey in the church
- ✓ Visit us during La Dolce Vita
- ✓ Return surveys in the collection basket or parish office

**SCAN TO TAKE THE SURVEY**

Every Voice Matters!

Your thoughts will help guide the Strategic Planning Committee as we strengthen the partnership between St. Mary Parish and St. Mary Parish School for generations to come.

"When we make room for every voice, we make room for the Holy Spirit to guide our community."



Thank you for partnering with us as we build a vibrant future for St. Mary Parish School.



Questions?
strategicplan@saintmaryschool.com

OUR SCHOOL. ♥ OUR CHILDREN. ♥ OUR FUTURE.

Make Room for Your Voice.

Make Room for Faith.

Make Room for Community.

Make Room for Our Future.

Catholic FAITH FORMATION



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



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Questions? or interested in becoming a Catechist?
Contact Monica Saldana, CFF Coordinator, at cff@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](https://www.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

NEWS & EVENTS

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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

Pray

for the following Parish members who are celebrating their wedding anniversary in August

Alyssa & Bryan McKrell

We Pray that God continues to bless their family and guides them in patience, generosity, and joy.



We want to pray for your marriage as well! Submit your family name and the month of your anniversary to: pastoralcouncil@stmarysacto.org or call the parish office at 916-452-0296.



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

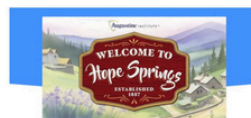
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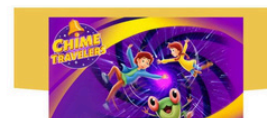
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Saint stories, new adventures and faith-filled fun for the whole family



Welcome to Hope Springs

A smoke bomb. A stolen artifact. Mysterious messages from the past. What could it mean? When trouble hits the old train depot, a group of friends must team up to crack the case! Mystery, friendship, and adventure are waiting for YOU in Hope Springs.



Chime Travelers

Ding, dong adventure calls! When the bells chime, twins Patrick and Katie are zapped back in time to meet real-life heroes: the saints! Get ready for daring quests, big laughs, and epic history all rolled into one.

Ryan Defrates: Secret Agent

Ryan's a young spy who likes to work solo, until he gets stuck with the last partner he'd ever pick: his mom! Deb's no secret agent (she's way better at coupons than crime-fighting), but her heart and smarts always save the mission. Action, laughs, and a whole lot of family FUN await!



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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

LITURGY & PRAYER

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil, August 22

5:00 PM Paul Ferrarotti † (*Ferrarotti Family*)

Sunday, August 23

8:00 AM Tony & Alice Mattos † (*Barsotti Family*)

9:30 AM Elvia Leyva † (*The Leyva Family*)

11:00 AM Don Kassis Family (*Mom*)

5:00 PM For our parishioners (St. Mary Parish)

Monday, August 24

8:00 AM Keith Schiele † (*Patricia Schiele*)

Alison & Franco Castaño (*Rosa Castaño*)

Tuesday, August 25

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

Suzie Rozewksi Family (*Garcia-Miller Trio*)

Wednesday, August 26

8:00 AM Al Thearle Sr. † (*Cathie Carvalho*)

Nikola Bilandzich (*Lilian & Nick Clifford*)

Thursday, August 27

8:00 AM Ignacio Garduño † (*Rosa Castaño*)

Friday, August 28

8:00 AM Louis McDermott † (*Barbara McDermott*)

Saturday, August 29

8:00 AM Deacon George Kriske (*The Ielati Family*)

Interested in the Usher and
Safety Observer program?
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Weekly Readings

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

Mon: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Tue: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

Wed: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

Thur: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51

Fri: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Sat: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mk 6:17-29

Next Sun: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/ t
16:21-27



Clergy Corner

Dear Members of St. Mary's Parish Family,

On this 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jesus asks His disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter responds with faith: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus then entrusts Peter with a mission and reminds us that the Church is built upon faith in Him.

This Gospel is especially meaningful as we look back with gratitude on the wonderful success of our St. Mary's Parish Festival. A parish truly becomes a living community when people generously offer their time, talents, energy, and love. The Festival was a beautiful expression of what can happen when we work together with one heart and one purpose.

On behalf of St. Mary's, I extend my heartfelt thanks to all our volunteers who worked so generously before, during, and after the Festival. In a special way, we are grateful to Jasmine & Jacob Oaxaca and Elli Ielati for their leadership, dedication, coordination, and countless efforts that helped make the Festival such a joyful and successful celebration. We also thank every person who helped with planning, preparation, cooking, serving, setting up, cleaning, welcoming, and participating. Your generosity truly built up our parish family.

As we celebrate the feasts of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, St. Monica, and St. Augustine, we are reminded that faith becomes fruitful when it is lived courageously and generously. St. Bartholomew followed Christ faithfully; St. Monica persevered in prayer; and St. Augustine allowed God's grace to transform his life and became a great witness to the Gospel.

May their example inspire us to continue building St. Mary's as a community of faith, prayer, service, and joy. May we always remember that every gift offered with love becomes part of God's work.

Thank you, St. Mary's, for being a parish that comes together, serves together, celebrates together, and grows together in Christ!

With prayers and blessings,
Fr. George Thadathil, Pastor

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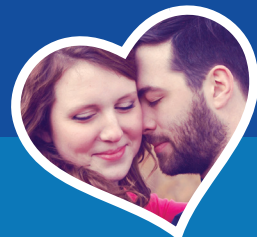
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