ST. MARY PARISH

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August 24, 2025

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 ам, 12:00 рм, 7:00 рм

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

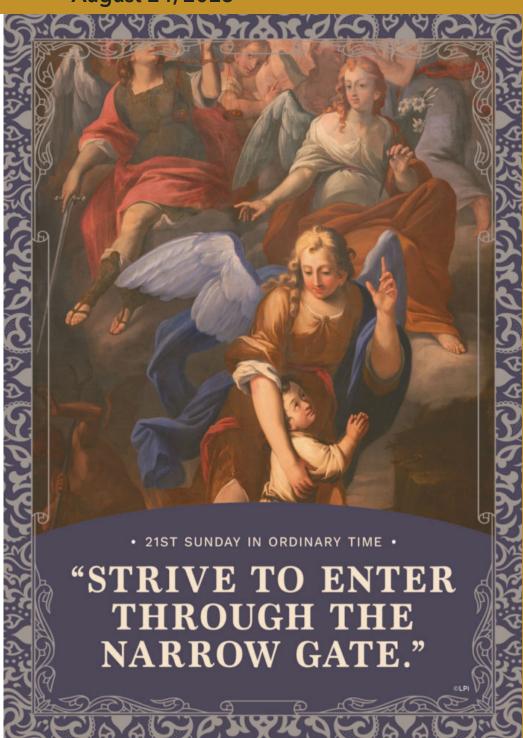
Infant Mary Chapel

Monday - Saturday Temporarily Closed

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 pm





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.

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



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!







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PARISH NEWS

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This Week at St. Mary Parish

SUNDAY

MONDAY

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

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SATURDAY

SUNDAY

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Bible Study is Back!

A new Bible Study is beginning on Tuesday, September 9th! It's a 9-week study on Mary that will meet in the Holy Spouses Room from 7:00-8:30 pm September through the first week of December. The sessions will not meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month, but we will participate in the Adoration & Confession held on those evenings.

The cost of materials is \$28 per participant for the study guide. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Lanni Butterworth at alannab@surewest.net, or call 916 905 2585. It will take a few weeks for study guides to arrive in the mail, so if you are interested, please contact me as soon as possible!

Next Week's 2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul

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!



NEWS & EVENTS

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HIGH SCHOOL TEENS: Join us for GAMES + GET TO KNOW YOU SUNDAY AUGUST 24 12:15 - 2:00pm in St. Joseph's Garden

Parents of Freshman or new teens, please stay for a short orientation starting at 12:20 p.m.

(LUNCH will be provided)



Scan to learn more or visit stmarysacto.org/youth-ministry





Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.

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• We can sign eligibility forms when you're asked to be a godparent or sponsor

• We can communicate with you so you can stay up to date on all of our exciting parish events

Registration forms can be found in the vestibule of the church or online: www.stmarysacto.org/im-new

LITURGY & PRAYER

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil, August 16

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

Sunday, August 17

8:00 AM Florentine Bersola † (The Bersola Family)
9:30 AM For our Parishioners (St. Mary Parish)
11:00 AM Elvia Leyba † (The Leyva Family)
5:00 PM Joseph Sanchez † (Dolores Sanchez)

Monday, August 18

8:00 AM Larry Martello † (B. Hermann)

Patricia Nulk † (Katarina Bilandzich)

Tuesday, August 19

8:00 AM Souls in Purgatory † (Anonymous)

Conrade & Melody Mayer (B. & R. Zellars)

Wednesday, August 20

8:00 AM Ron Hermann † (Wife)

Ivo Petricevic † (Katarina Bilandzich)

Thursday, August 21

8:00 AM Dr. John Moran (Jen Cooley & Rena Zellars)

Pam Myczek † (Tom & Linda Kirrene)

Friday, August 22

8:00 AM Susan Del Gaudio † (Katarina Bilandzich)

Gilbert Guerrero † (Dolores Sanchez)

Saturday, August 23

8:00 AM Todd Harvey & Family (Bill & Rena Zellars)



Weekly Readings

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

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Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8-10; Ps 149:1-6, 9; Mt 23:13-22 Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mt 23:23-26 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12; Mt 23:27-32 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2, 5-6, 10-12; Mk 6:17-29 **Saturday**: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Clergy Corner

Dear Members of St. Mary's Parish Family,



Our Parish festival was a grand success. First of all let us thank God for blessing us with wonderful weather. On behalf of St. Mary Parish I would like to say a big thank you to all who made our Festival a success, especially to Jacob and Jasmine Oaxaca, Joe and Marte Frasca, and Jasmine

Sanchez. May The Good Lord bless you and your families abundantly.

In today's Gospel, someone asks Jesus: "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" Jesus replies with a challenge: "Strive to enter through the narrow gate." The Lord is reminding us that eternal life is not a casual walk, but a committed journey of faith, perseverance, and love. The "narrow gate" is Christ Himself — to follow Him is to walk in humility, repentance, and service.

This week, the Church gives us shining examples of what this means in the lives of St. Monica and St. Augustine. St. Monica, a mother who never gave up on her son, teaches us the power of persistent prayer and patient love. For years she prayed with tears for Augustine's conversion. And her faith was rewarded when Augustine encountered Christ, was baptized, and became one of the greatest teachers of the Church. Augustine, in turn, shows us that no life is beyond God's reach. His restless heart found peace only when it rested in God.

As we reflect on today's Gospel, together with the lives of Monica and Augustine, we are reminded that salvation is God's gift — but it requires our daily response. Like Monica, we are called to persevere in faith, even when prayers seem unanswered. Like Augustine, we are invited to surrender our hearts and let Christ be our way, our truth, and our life.

May we too strive each day to enter by the narrow gate, strengthened by prayer, repentance, and trust in God's mercy.

Fr. George Thadathil, CMI Pastor

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).

Wrongfully hurt? We are here to help.





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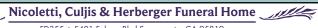
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