

# ST. MARY PARISH

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February 12, 2023

## 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 Sunday Holy Hour

12 Noon - 1:00 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 - 5:00 PM

Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 pm



## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors,  
Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all  
that you vow.” - Mt 5:33

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# PARISH INFO

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

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

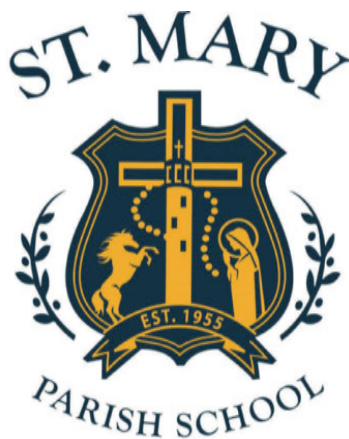
**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the Parish Office regarding sick and elderly who are at home, hospitals or special care facilities.

**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.



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.

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## Weekly Readings

- Sunday:** Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34; 1Cor 2:6-10;Mt 5:17-37
- Monday:** Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1-4, 9-10; Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday:** Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
- Thursday:** Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-23, 29; Mk 8:27-33
- Friday:** Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk:34—9:1
- Saturday:** Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145: 2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

## Mass Intentions February 11-18

### Saturday Vigil, February 11

5:00 PM Vanessa Papotto † (by Alisa Papotto)

### Sunday, February 12

8:00 AM For our Parishioners (by St. Mary Parish)

9:30 AM Melita Huitt (by Lilian & Nick Clifford)

11:00 AM Mary Kassis (by The Ielati Family)

5:00 PM Fr. John McGarry, SJ (by The Lienert Family)

### Monday, February 13

8:00 AM Richard Nardinelli (by Jeannette Nardinelli)

Christopher Golowski † (by Lincoln & Family)

### Tuesday, February 14

8:00 AM Frank Pavone (by Lilian & Nick Clifford)

Tony Bertacchi † (by Gloria & Linda G.)

### Wednesday, February 15

8:00 AM Dawn & Gabriel Aragon (by Ramon)

Bonnie Williams † (by The Ielati Family)

### Thursday, February 16

8:00 AM Delia Vasquez † (by Judy Becker)

Roberta McRae † (by Kathy Walker)

### Friday, February 17

8:00 AM Elizabeth Hinton (by The Lienert Family)

Adele & Romeo Paracchini † (by Daughter)

### Saturday, February 18

8:00 AM Gloria Gabrielli † (by The Ielati Family)

**To request a Mass Intention**, please download the Mass Intention Request Form from our website or visit the parish office during normal business hours. Per Canon Law (canon 953), Mass intentions may not be scheduled more than one year in advance.

## Mass Trivia

The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

What did Jesus come to do to the law and prophets?

**A** ignore them

**B** abolish them

**C** preach them

**D** fulfill them

Check page 5 for the answer!

## Online Worship Aid



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

## The Holy Father's Prayer Intention For the Month of February:

### For Parishes



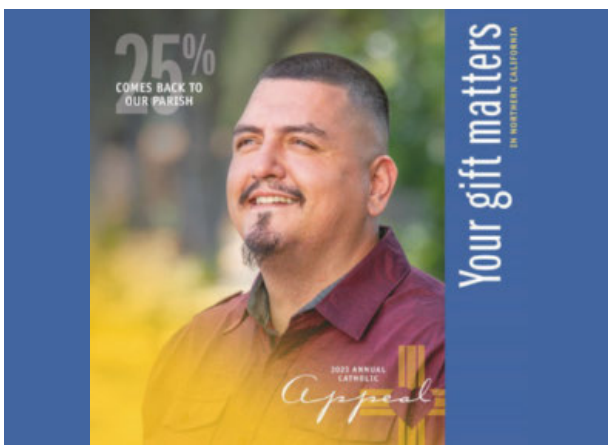
We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

# NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## January Giving

The following is a summary of Offertory and Building Fund contributions made to St. Mary Parish in the month of January. Thank you for your faithful generosity!

January 1 Offertory:	\$2,603.00
January 8 Offertory:	\$3,427.71
January 15 Offertory:	\$6,417.56
January 22 Offertory:	\$4,632.27
January 29 Offertory:	\$5,660.73
<u>Online Offertory:</u>	<u>\$12,969.50</u>
Offertory Total:	\$35,710.77
Building Fund:	\$105,795.19



Next weekend we will have the opportunity to come alongside those who are struggling in our diocese through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Each of our gifts, no matter the amount, makes a difference in someone's life. Catholic Charities can respond to the greatest needs in our communities. Seminarians receive support as they prepare to serve our local parishes. Catholic schools in economically-challenged neighborhoods can provide tuition assistance. And our own St. Mary School and St. Vincent de Paul ministry receives support for another year because 25% of our donations come back to our parish. Please prayerfully consider what you can give this year!

**If you are able to make a donation this year,** please use the envelopes that will be provided in Mass next weekend. We ask that you please do not use the envelope that was included with your regular monthly envelopes. If you give online, please do so directly to the diocese (link will be provided next weekend) and not through St. Mary's online giving. Thank you!

## Clergy Corner



Today's readings inspire us to choose our freedom wisely. The first reading from the book of Sirach, gives us different options, freedom to choose fire or water, good or evil, and life or death. It is our free choice to obey or disobey God's commandments. We are responsible for the serious consequences of our choices. In the Bible we learn about the people who disobeyed the commandments and faced the consequences. If a driver misuses the freedom, the life of those who are on the road will be dangerous. If a religious leader misuses the freedom, the religion will be in trouble. If a national leader misuses the freedom, the entire nation will suffer. Our freedom is not the permission to do everything according to my pleasure and desire but also the satisfaction and benefit of others.

Today's Gospel passage is taken from the "Sermon on the Mount." Jesus explains the real meaning of three Mosaic laws concerning murder, adultery and false oaths. This is possible by controlling our anger. There are three stages of anger; anger in the heart, anger in speech and anger in action. Any of the three will cause calamities in a nation or danger to the families. Sudden outbursts of uncontrollable anger will spoil the peace of every individual. Therefore, the freedom to forgive is to be practiced when we get angry.

Jesus' teaching on sexual sins or adultery is important. It is the violation of the sixth commandment. This week we celebrate Valentine's Day. It reminds us the sacredness of love. Marriage is the union between a man and woman to live in love and unity forever. It is possible only with the grace of God. A married person makes the commitment to live with the spouse forever at any circumstances. The dignity of a person and the sanctity of married life are expressed through genuine love.

Therefore, let us pray for the grace to use our freedom wisely for the benefit of others and obey the commandments of God to establish the kingdom of God on earth.

Fr. Kavungal Davy, CMI  
Pastor





## LENT 2023 SCHEDULE

### Ash Wednesday

February 22  
*(a day of fast + abstinence)*

Masses:

8:00 am

9:30 am (school only)

12 noon

7:00 pm

Ashes Service: 4:00 pm

### Soup + Stations of the Cross

Every Friday February 24 - March 31

*(Fridays are days of abstinence)*

6:00 pm Soup

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction

### Fish Fry

Friday, March 10

5:30 pm

Stations of the Cross immediately following

### Parish Mission

Monday, March 20 - Wednesday, March 22  
After the 8:00 am daily Mass and 6:30-7:30 pm  
Retreat Preacher: Fr. Jack Conley, CP

### Penance Service

Thursday, March 23

6:00 pm

### Tenebrae Service

Monday, April 3

7:00 pm

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### DATES

Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

6:30 PM – 8:40 PM

Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM – 12:05 PM

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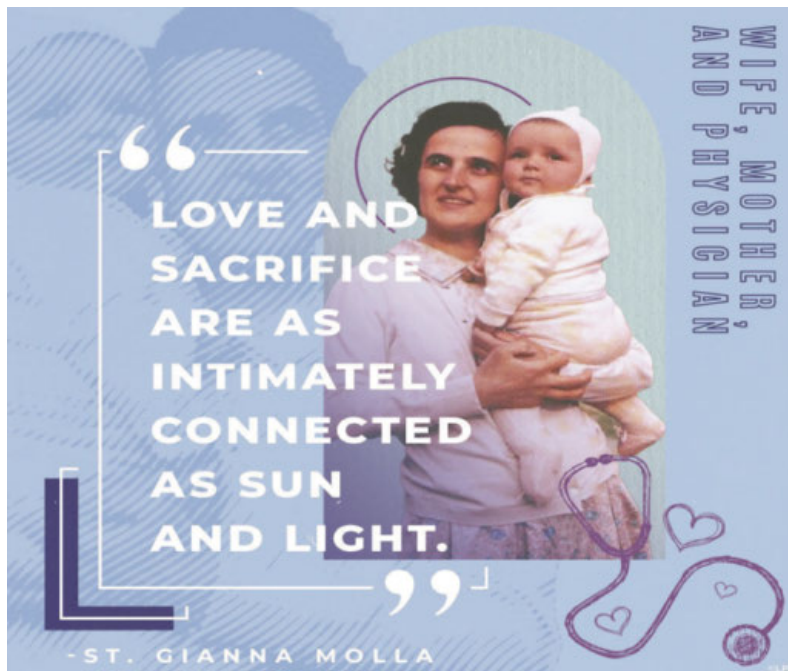
# LIFELONG FORMATION

## Gospel Reflection

It's often said that the Catholic Church lays heavy rules on her members, rules that can almost seem impossible. Mass every Sunday? No lying ever? Sexual purity all the time? I recently said to some non-Catholic friends that more than fifty adults were baptized at my parish at the Easter Vigil. One responded spontaneously with shock, "Why would anyone do that?" In other words, why would someone willingly place themselves in a system with such demanding and rigorous rules?

Of course, no one in the history of religions is more demanding and rigorous than Jesus himself. In the Sermon on the Mount, he says you have to be holier than pharisees or you're out. He says if you call someone a fool, you go to fiery Gehenna. He says you can't even look at a woman with lust or you're guilty of adultery (which was punishable by death). To top it all off, he says you can't even get divorced and re-married. Doesn't he know these are basically impossible demands? What world is he living in?

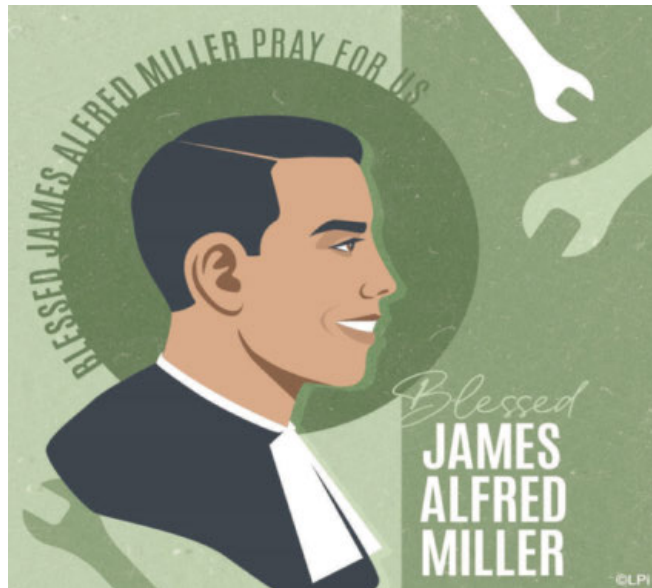
The new one, actually. He is the new world. Jesus' words aren't meant to condemn. They are meant to signal something new, a restored humanity. Jesus doesn't just give external laws; he gives us his Holy Spirit to internalize the law through love. He wants to fill us with his love. That's what the Church exists to do. Love demands extraordinary things. The "demands" of the Church only make sense because she is filled with Jesus' love. That wildly demanding love is why we are Catholic. -Fr. John Muir for ©LPI



### Mass Trivia Answer

D. Fulfill them

from today's Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37



## Saint of the Week

Blessed Brother James Miller, martyred in Guatemala at age 37, was born in 1944 in Wisconsin. Ordained to the Lasallian Christian Brothers in 1969, his first assignment was as a teacher at Cretin High School in St. Paul, MN. Despite his success at Cretin, his deepest desire was to serve the poorest of the poor as a missionary educator.

Eventually the Lasallians sent him to Nicaragua where he served for 19 years. During his time in the country, he supervised the construction of ten new rural schools, helped build an industrial arts and vocational complex, and worked with the government on education initiatives.

In 1979, when the Sandinistas revolution began in Nicaragua, the Lasallians recalled him to the United States for his own safety. Despite his displeasure at this reassignment, he returned to Cretin High School in St. Paul as a teacher but longed to go back to the mission field, writing to his superiors, "I am anxious to return to Latin America." By 1981 his order would grant his request and send him to a new country, Guatemala. where he taught at a Lasallian Brothers school.

On the afternoon of February 13, 1982, while out fixing a school fence post, Brother Miller was shot several times by three men and died instantly in broad daylight in plain view of many of his students. His assassins were never caught. Some claim his murder may have been because of his order's work to prevent the government from illegally forcing native men into the military. The Brother James Miller Fund was established after his death to continue his work for the poor and in 2018, Pope Francis approved a decree recognizing Brother Miller as a martyr. ©LPI

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