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March 1, 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



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT



"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him." - Mt 17:5b

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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



Donate Online

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!

Apply Online - www.saintmaryschool.com

1st - 8th Grade
Tours
November 13
December 9
Schedule Online



ST. MARY
PARISH SCHOOL

New Family
Admissions
Timeline

TK
Information Night
November 4
6:00pm

Kinder
Information Night
November 18
6:00pm

**New Family
Information
Meeting**
May 7
6:00pm



**Admissions
Decisions Shared**
March 2026

**Open
House**
January 25
11am - 1pm



New Student
Applications Due
February 1
Assessments
February 9-12

TK: Age 4 by Sept. 1 | Kindergarten: Age 5 by Sept. 1
Preschool: 3 Years old and ready

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PARISH NEWS

This Week at St. Mary Parish

SUNDAY

@LIFED 12:15 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room
Stella Maris YA Sunday Dinner..... 6:30 pm
Location: Giovanni Hall

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

Stella Maris YA Prayer & Bible Study 6:30 pm
Location: Chapel/Holy Spouses Room
Bible Study 7:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

WEDNESDAY

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

THURSDAY

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Church

FRIDAY

Lenten Fish Fry 6:00 pm
Location: Giovanni Hall
Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
Location: Church

SATURDAY

Confession..... 3:30 pm
Location: Church

New Pin Pad Lock for St Joseph's Garden

We are installing a new lock for St Joseph's Garden to enhance the security and safety of our parish. Please call the front office for the pin code.

WIN A TRIP TO HAWAII FOR 2



April 17th DRAWING!

6 days and 5 nights at the Sheraton Maui Resort & Spa Includes airfare for 2 up to \$1,000, \$500 American Express gift card and Hertz Rent-A-Car voucher \$400 **Total value of package is \$3,500. Second Prize: \$500 VI-SA gift card.**

100 % of Proceeds to benefit the St. Mary/ Sacred Heart Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society. *Need not be present to win! One year to book travel. Help us to help our neighbors in need.*

For tickets, call Michael Carroll at 916.451.8551 or e-mail mcarroll51@comcast.net



Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you for helping our neighbors in need through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Your gifts will make a difference in the lives of those who suffered physical, material, and spiritual poverty. If you have not contributed yet, it's not too late! Donate online at www.scd.org/acagive.com Envelopes are also available in the church or parish office. Your gift matters.

Looking Ahead

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

- **March 7/8:** St Vincent de Paul Annual Raffle Fund-raiser
- **March 24:** Lenten Penance Service
- **April 11:** St Vincent de Paul Paper Shredding event

2025 Year End Contributions

We are emailing contribution statements ONLY upon request, You can request yours by emailing Gina Martista at stmary95819@gmail.com. Please provide your full name, envelope number (if applicable), and phone number.

ST MARY PARISH LENTEN SCHEDULE 2026

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 18th
Masses: 8:00am, 12 Noon,
7:00pm
Service: 4:00pm

SOUP & STATIONS

Every Friday 2/20-3/27
6:00pm Soup | 7:00pm Stations
**Soup Nights may get canceled if we're unable to get enough ministries to provide soup.*

LENTEN FISH FRY

March 6th
5:30pm Fish Fry | 7:00pm
Stations

PENANCE SERVICE

March 24th
6:30-8pm Confession and
Adoration

TENEBRAE SERVICE

March 30th
Service: 7:00pm
A solemn Holy Week prayer service of psalms, readings, and gradually extinguished candles, drawing us into Christ's suffering and the coming darkness of the tomb.



NEWS & EVENTS

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Help us Bless Your Marriage

We want to pray for your marriage!

Please let us know when you got married, submit your family name and the month of your anniversary to pastoralcouncil@stmarysacto.org or call the parish office at 916-452-0296.

Soon you will see a growing list of parishioner anniversaries to celebrate and pray for every month.

Celebrate

Irish Night 2026

with the Knights of Columbus Council 953!

Wear your green attire and join us for a night of fun.

MARCH 14th

\$30 adults,
under 17- \$12

Doors Open at 6:00 PM,
Dinner at 7:00 PM



Corned Beef and cabbage
potatoes
carrots
salad
dessert &
Irish Soda Bread



For reservations, please Venmo to @KofC953, scan the QR code, or Contact Bob Willett, 916-485-7939

*Vegetarian Lasagna available by request. Order in advance with your reservation.



Thank You!
Thank You!
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Thank You!

Volunteer Leaders

Kevin Riley, Chair; Joe Souza, Chef-Kitchen Lead; Brian & Holly Kinney, Bar Leads; Jane Rojas, Lead Server; Bryan McKrell, MC ; Alyssa McKrell, Logistics & Mary Willett, Raffle Lead.

Plus - the many St. Mary School Parents, CFF Parents, Parishioners, Stella Maris members and others who help make everything run smoothly.

Thank You to our Crab Feed and Raffle Donors

5 Mary's Ranch
Ceverceria by Urban Roots
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River Fox Railbikes
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Without You!

LITURGY & PRAYER

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil, February 28

5:00 PM Dawn Aragon (*Ramon Aragon*)

Sunday, March 1

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

9:30 AM Matthew Ielati (*Mom, Dad & Becca*)

11:00 AM Betty Plaxico † (*Tom & Sandra Melavic*)

5:00 PM Silvio Suine † (*Jodie Maita*)

Monday, March 2

8:00 AM Manuel Rosales † (*V. Riggins*)
Dale and Joan Martfeld (*Daughters*)

Tuesday, March 3

8:00 AM Pope Benedict XVI † (*Therese Vinciquerra*)

Wednesday, March 4

8:00 AM Gerry Rolle † (*Bill & Rena Zellars*)

Thursday, March 5

8:00 AM Silvio Suine † (*Ron Pane Family*)

Friday, March 6

8:00 AM Luigi Lucchesini † (*The Lucchesini Family*)
Dale and Joan Martfeld (*Daughters*)

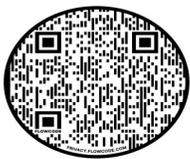
Saturday, March 7

8:00 AM Sarah Jennings McFarland (*Anne Marie Kolstad*)

This Week's 2nd Collection: Building & Maintenance Fund

This week's Second Collection is for our Parish Building & Maintenance Fund. The money donated goes towards repairing and maintaining our aging parish campus. Thank you for your faithful generosity!

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).

Weekly Readings

Sun: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Mon: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tues: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wed: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thurs: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Fri: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt
21:33-43, 45-46

Sat: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sun: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or
4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Clergy Corner



Dear members of St. Mary Parish Family,

In light of the incident that occurred on Ash Wednesday, I would like to thank God that no one was injured. I also believe that Our Blessed Virgin Mary is interceding to protect

us from all harm. Let us keep our Parish and School community in our prayers.

This Second Sunday of Lent presents before us the powerful mystery of the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-9). Jesus takes Peter, James, and John up the mountain, and there He is transfigured before them—His face shining like the sun, His clothes dazzling white. For a brief moment, the disciples see who He truly is.

In the first reading, God calls Abram to leave his homeland and trust in a promise he cannot yet see (Genesis 12:1-4a). Abram steps out in faith. In the Gospel, the disciples glimpse the glory that awaits beyond the cross. Both readings remind us that Lent is a journey of trust—walking toward a promise that is sometimes hidden.

Peter wants to remain on the mountain: "Lord, it is good that we are here." We understand that feeling. We want moments of clarity, consolation, and peace to last forever. But Jesus leads them back down the mountain—toward Jerusalem, toward the cross.

Lent invites us to climb the mountain in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving so that our vision may be renewed. We are reminded that suffering and sacrifice are not the end of the story. Glory comes through the cross. The Father's voice speaks clearly: "This is my beloved Son... listen to Him."

As a parish community, may we listen more attentively to Christ during these forty days. May we trust God as Abram did. And when we face our own crosses, may we remember the light of the Transfiguration—proof that God's promise is greater than any trial.

Let us walk this Lenten journey with confidence, knowing that beyond Calvary lies Easter morning.

Fr. George Thadathil, CMI

Pastor.

Next Week's 2nd Collection:

Diocesan: The Catholic Relief Services

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