

# ST. MARY PARISH

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September 1, 2024

## 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 - 5:00 PM

## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 pm



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# PARISH INFO

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## Pastoral Staff

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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

RCIA Inquiry Session ..... 10:30 am  
*Location: Marian Room*

1st Sunday Holy Hour ..... 12 noon  
*Location: Church*

### MONDAY - PARISH OFFICE CLOSED (Labor Day)

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

### TUESDAY

Pastoral Council Meeting ..... 6:00 pm  
*Location: Rectory Conference Room*

### WEDNESDAY

CFF Class ..... 6:00 pm  
*Location: SMS*

Choir Rehearsal ..... 6:15 pm  
*Location: Holy Spouses Room*

SVdP Monthly Meeting ..... 6:30 pm  
*Location: Giovanni Hall*

### THURSDAY

Choir Rehearsal ..... 6:15 pm  
*Location: Holy Spouses Room*

### FRIDAY

Men's Ministry Meeting ..... 7:00 am  
*Location: Holy Spouses Room*

First Friday Adoration ..... 8:30 am  
*Location: Infant Mary Chapel*

### SATURDAY

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

### SUNDAY

Second Sunday Breakfast ..... 9 am-12 pm  
*Location: Giovanni Hall*

RCIA Inquiry Session ..... 10:30 am  
*Location: Marian Room*

**Please Note:** The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day.



## 92nd Annual Parish Festival

# Thank you!

To all who made the event a success!

Joe & Marte Frasca & all the Chicken Dinner volunteers  
Mary Willett & all the Raffle volunteers  
Ellie Ielati & all the Bingo volunteers  
Mel & Aaron Trammell & all the Carnival Game volunteers  
Ben Billeci, Maria Keller & the Choir  
Kim Perez & the Altar Society  
The Knights of Columbus #953  
Lorenzo Frasca, Lucy Vanegas  
Robert Rossi, the Romo, & Sanchez families & all food volunteers  
Jessica Perri & all the Bake Sale volunteers  
Tom Matista, the Eiferle Family & all the setup/takedown volunteers  
Tim Frame & the Counting Team  
The McKrell, Ielati, Chetcuti, & McGann Families  
Cub Scouts Pack 128  
The Sac State Catholic Newman Center

And all our amazing volunteers! We couldn't have done it without you!

See you next year!  
Jasmine & Jacob Oaxaca

## SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFAST



Join us next Sunday, September 8th,  
after all morning Masses in Giovanni  
Hall for our Second Sunday Breakfast!

Suggested Donation: \$5 per person

# NEWS & EVENTS

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## Join the Choir!

Our Music Ministry is looking for additional choir members! We have 2 choirs to choose from and we meet for rehearsals Wednesday or Thursday evenings. Come see us after Masses at the Second Sunday Breakfast in Giovanni Hall on September 8th. You can talk with our choir members, and ask any questions you may have. For additional information, give Ben (our director) a call at 916-452-0296 x9.

We are also looking for pianists who can accompany Ben at Masses when he needs to conduct the choir. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 916-452-0296.

Italian Catholic Federation Br. 45

## Chicken & Polenta Dinner

Sunday, September 15th in Giovanni Hall

Branch Meeting 4:30 pm

Dinner & Raffle 6:00 pm

(You don't have to be a member/attend the Branch Meeting to attend the dinner! All are welcome!)

### Menu includes:

salad, roll, polenta\* with homemade meat sauce, 1/2 baked chicken, dessert, & beverages  
(\*pasta is available as a polenta substitute by pre-order only at the time of reservation)

### Price:

\$22 for members | \$30 for non-members  
\$10 age 7-12 | children 6 and under free

### For reservations

please call Janine at 916-508-1199  
by Tuesday, September 10th

Congratulations to the 2024 8th Grade ICF \$500 Scholarship recipients, Nives Schettini, Emelia Luhrsni, Maddy Lucas, and London Weninger!



## ST. MARY PARISH Legacy Book PHOTO SESSIONS

It's time for a new Legacy Book parish directory, and it wouldn't be complete without you! Book your photo session today and keep an eye out for the Legacy Book at the 2025 Parish Festival!

Photo shoots will be held once a month June through December of this year. Each family/individual photographed will receive a copy of the Legacy Book and a free 5x7 print (plus the opportunity to purchase more prints & digitals).



Our next photo shoot weekend is: **September 7/8**. Book your photo session via the QR code or by calling the parish office at 916-452-0296!

Parish registration is required. If you attend St. Mary's, but are not registered, please be sure to do so before booking your appointment!

The following is a court-ordered posting from the Diocese of Sacramento's bankruptcy. It will remain in the bulletin through September 29th. Registered parishioners will also receive this notice in the mail.

In re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento, Case No. 24-21326  
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California

Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: October 1, 2024

### YOU MAY HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM AGAINST THE DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

On April 1, 2024, The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento aka Diocese of Sacramento filed a chapter 11 bankruptcy petition for protection under title 11 of the United States Code.

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim so as to be received by October 1, 2024, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Diocese.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Diocese that occurred before April 1, 2024, must be filed on or before October 1, 2024, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before April 1, 2024.



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For more information on how to file a claim or about the bankruptcy, please visit: <https://www.donlinrecano.com/rcbsacramento>, or contact the Debtor's claims agent Donlin, Recano, & Company, Inc. via email at [rcbsacramentoinfo@drc.equiniti.com](mailto:rcbsacramentoinfo@drc.equiniti.com) or by phone at 1-866-714-7301; or visit the Debtor's website at <https://scd.org> and follow the links for Chapter 11 filing.



# LITURGY & PRAYER

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## Mass Intentions

### Saturday Vigil, August 31

5:00 PM Marian Stubbs † (*Shirleen Bacchi*)

### Sunday, September 1

8:00 AM Fr. George Mathai (*Mary Kassis*)  
9:30 AM For our Parishioners (*St. Mary Parish*)  
11:00 AM Ante Batarello † (*Nick & Milka Bilandzich*)  
5:00 PM Remedios Lara † (*Dora Lara*)

### Monday, September 2

8:00 AM Jim Johnson † (*Wife*)  
Matthews Karingda † (*Joe Karingada*)

### Tuesday, September 3

8:00 AM Donald Trump (*Ramon Aragon*)  
Liberato Formentera Jr. † (*Aurora G.*)

### Wednesday, September 4

8:00 AM Clarice Devecchio † (*Andy & Elise C.*)  
Dick Traversi † (*Kathy Traversi*)

### Thursday, September 5

8:00 AM Fr. Sijo Chirayath (*Janine Orsi*)  
Boyd Strazzo † (*Kathy Traversi*)

### Friday, September 6

8:00 AM Andrea Crettol (*James Crettol Jr.*)  
Marc McAnally † (*Ines Brida*)

### Saturday, September 7

8:00 AM Fr. Sijo Chirayath (*The Ielati Family*)



## Weekly Readings

**Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**Monday:** 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37

**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 5:1-11

**Friday:** 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 4:6-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5

## Clergy Corner

Dear Members of St. Mary's Parish Family,



This week (9/5) we celebrate the Feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta. She was born August 26, 1910 in Skopje, North Macedonia. In 1950 she founded the Missionaries of Charity that had over 4,500 sisters active in some 133 countries as of 2012. Her congregation oversees homes for those who are dying of various diseases. It also runs soup kitchens, dispensaries, mobile clinics, children's and family counseling programs well as orphanages and schools. She died on September 5th, 1997, and was canonized in 2016 by Pope Francis. Happy Feast to all!

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus addresses the Pharisees and Scribes who are overly concerned with external observances of the law while neglecting the more important matters of the heart. He challenges them, and us, to examine our inner lives and not just our outward actions. Jesus emphasizes that what defiles a person is not what enters from the outside, but what comes from within. This powerful reminder calls us to reflect on the state of our hearts. Are we more concerned with appearances and traditions than with genuine love and compassion? Do our words and actions truly reflect the love of Christ?

As we navigate through life, it's easy to get caught up in routines, rituals and appearances. But this Sunday's Gospel challenges us to go deeper, to focus on what truly matters- our relationship with God and with one another. Let us strive to cultivate a heart that is pure, loving, and aligned with God's will.

May this week be an opportunity for us all to reflect on the intentions behind our actions, to purify our hearts, and to seek God's guidance in living out our faith with sincerity and love.

Let us pray for the grace to be people whose hearts are centered on Christ, so that our lives may be a true reflection of His love in the world.

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).

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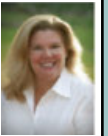
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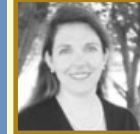
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