

ST. MARY PARISH

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September 28, 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 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

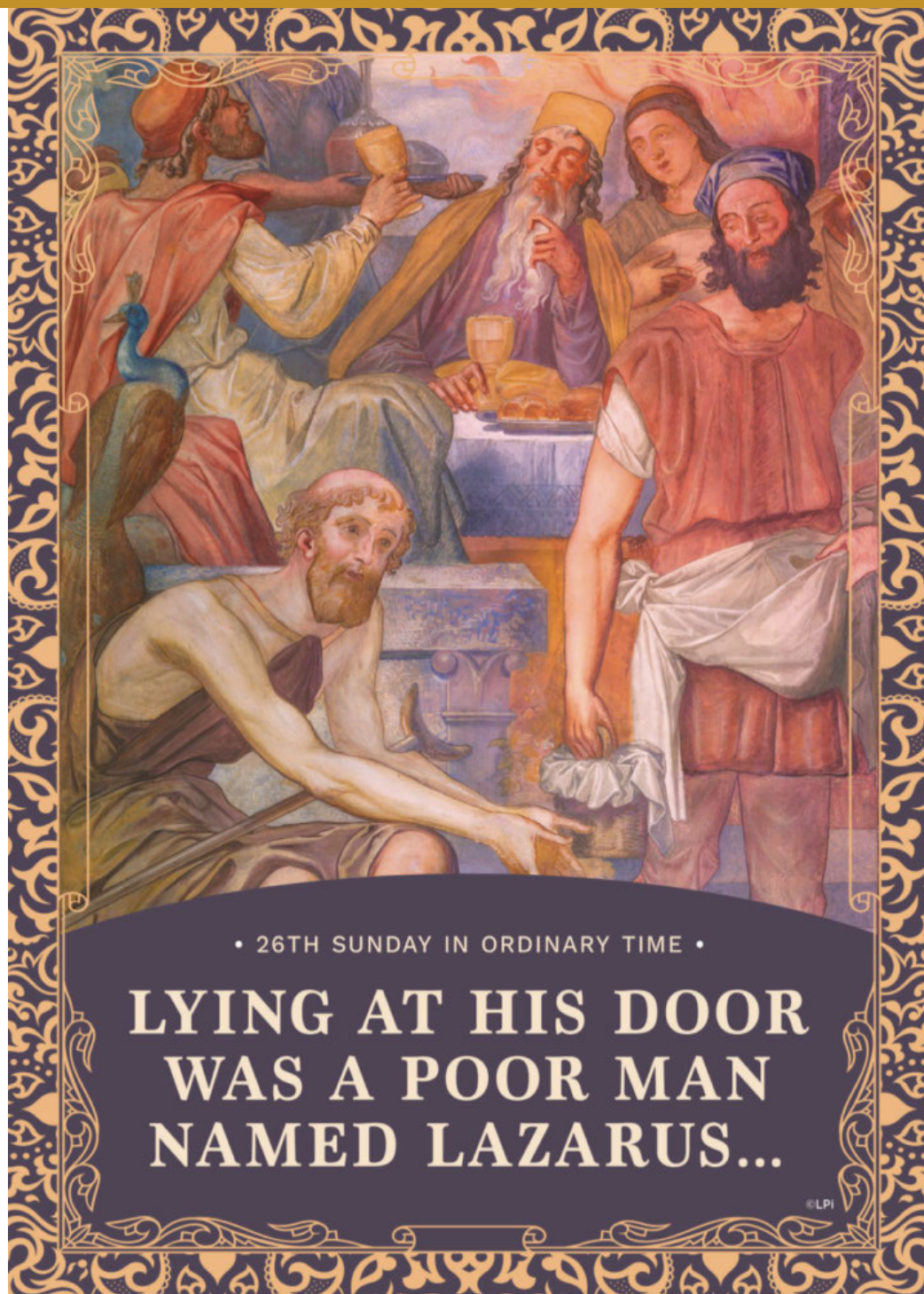
8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 pm



• 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

LYING AT HIS DOOR
WAS A POOR MAN
NAMED LAZARUS...

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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



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This Week at St. Mary Parish

SUNDAY

OCIA Session 9:30 am
Location: Church/Marian Room

@LIFED Meeting 12:15 pm
Location: St. Joseph Garden

ICF Meeting, Bingo & Dinner 3:30/4:30/6 pm
Location: Giovanni Hall

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

Stella Maris Prayer & Bible Study 6:30 pm
Location: Chapel/Marian Room

Bible Study 7:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

WEDNESDAY

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

CFF Classes 6:00 pm
Location: School

CFF Parent Formation 6:00 pm
Location: School

CFF Confirmation Parent Meeting 6:00 pm
Location: Church

THURSDAY

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

FRIDAY

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

1st Friday Adoration 8:30 am - 12 noon
Location: Infant Mary Chapel

SATURDAY

Confession 3:30 pm
Location: Church

SUNDAY

OCIA Session 9:30 am
Location: Church/Marian Room

Welcome to St. Mary's!

Thank you for joining us at St. Mary Parish! Whether you are visiting from another church or are new to the area, we are grateful you have chosen to worship with our faith community. If you would like to register as an official member of our parish family, please fill out our New Parishioner Registration Form which can be found in the church vestibule, online, or in the parish office!

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

Next weekend'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!

Please note: Because our Building & Maintenance Fund is its own restricted account, we can no longer deposit combined checks (building fund + offertory or any other fund). If you are combining all of your donations into one check, we would appreciate it if you could separate out your Building Fund donation in a separate check. Thank you!

First Friday Adoration

Please join us this Friday, October 3rd for our First Friday Adoration anytime between 8:30 am - 12 noon in the Infant Mary Chapel.



In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have a Blessing of Animals for family pets in front of the church at 2:00 pm next Sunday, October 5th. To ensure safety for all, please have your pets on leashes or in cages.

NEWS & EVENTS

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MINISTRY FAIR

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BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 12
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- The latest Catholic news from around the world
- A helpful examination of conscience and next confession reminder
- A reminder feature called "Mass Mode," for Mass and confession. This includes phone silencing notification to help encourage us all to be more present while at Mass

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St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction

From 4PM Media and The Ministry of the Wild Goose comes a breathtaking film on the life of St. Francis of Assisi. A fool according to the standards of the world, St. Francis' life was a sign of contradiction, convicting others of the beauty of Christ and his Gospel.

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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, September 27

5:00 PM Ken Barnes & Bob Spears † (Family)

Sunday, September 28

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

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

11:00 AM Leanne Sapnaro (The Ielati Family)

5:00 PM Jorge Aguirre † (Cynthia Alarcon)

Monday, September 29

8:00 AM Cristina Martin (Gianna Lienert)

Sophia Forchas (Anonymous)

Tuesday, September 30

8:00 AM Fletcher Merkel † (Anonymous)

Muriel Baeta † (Family)

Wednesday, October 1

8:00 AM Harper Moyski † (Anonymous)

Souls in Purgatory † (Anonymous)

Thursday, October 2

8:00 AM Giacomo Lienert (Mama, Dad & Gianna)

Sophia Forchas (Anonymous)

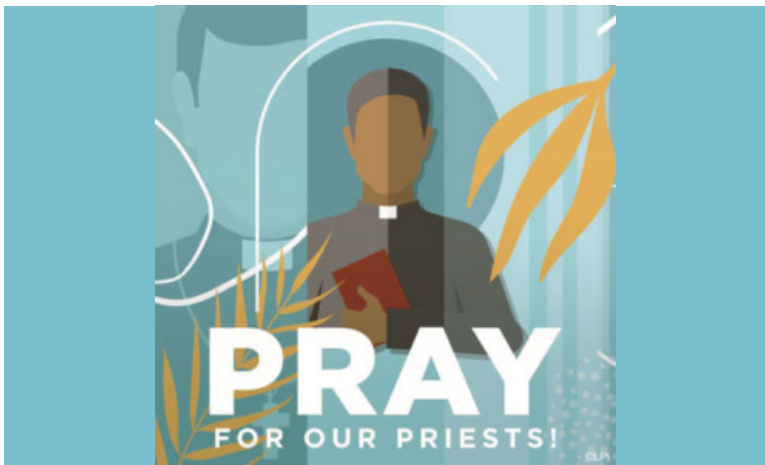
Friday, October 3

8:00 AM Annunciation Catholic School (Anonymous)

Souls in Purgatory † (Anonymous)

Saturday, October 4

8:00 AM Mike Huitt (Lilian & Nick Clifford)



Weekly Readings

Sunday: Am 6:1, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Neh 8:1-12; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-2

Clergy Corner

Dear Members of St. Mary's Parish Family,



This Sunday's readings remind us of the danger of indifference and self-centeredness. In the Gospel (Luke 16:19-31), Jesus tells the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. The rich man feasted every day but failed to notice Lazarus, the poor man at his gate. His blindness

to compassion led to eternal separation from God's joy. The message is clear: faith without love, devotion without mercy, is empty.

As we reflect on this, we celebrate three beautiful feasts this week. On October 2, the Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels, we are reminded that God cares for us so deeply that He entrusts each of us to the loving protection of an angel. Just as the angels watch over us, so too we are called to watch over one another—especially the weak, the poor, and the forgotten, like Lazarus in the Gospel.

On October 1, we honor St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, the Little Flower. She shows us the "little way" of love—serving God not through great deeds, but by doing small things with great love. Her example teaches us that every act of kindness, however small, has eternal value.

On October 4, we celebrate St. Francis of Assisi, who embraced poverty, simplicity, and love for all creation. He lived what Jesus preached, seeing Christ in the poor and treating every creature as a brother or sister.

Together, these feasts remind us that holiness is not distant or unreachable. It is found in living faithfully in our daily lives: caring for others, trusting God's protection, loving in small ways, and living simply with gratitude. May we, like Lazarus, place our hope in God's mercy, and like St. Thérèse and St. Francis, live our faith with joy and compassion.

Fr. George Thadathil, CMI
Pastor

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