MAY 11, 2025 | 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



The Parishes of

St. Mary

310 Nobbe St. Farmersville, IL 62533 St. Raymond

306 S McElroy Raymond, IL 62560

ST. MAURICE

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MAY 10		
5:00 pm	St. Mary:	Lefty Aherin
Sunday, May 11		
8:00 am	St. Raymond:	Joe Mizera
10:00 am	St. Maurice:	The People of Our Parishes
TUESDAY, MAY 13		
8:00 am	St. Mary:	The Living and Deceased Members of the Roy Carter Sr. Family
WEDNESDAY, MAY 14		
8:00 am	St. Raymond:	Julie Cassidy
FRIDAY, MAY 16		
8:00 am	St. Maurice:	Tootie Fleigle
Saturday, May 17		
5:00 pm	St. Mary:	The People of Our Parishes
SUNDAY, MAY 18		
	St. Raymond: St. Maurice:	Peggy Shea Weitekamp Amanda & Kenten Deardorff

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS

3:00-3:30 pm St. Maurice 4:00-4:30 pm St. Mary SUNDAYS

7:00-7:30 am St. Raymond

ADORATION

ST. RAYMOND

8:30 am Wednesday - 8:00 am Thursday Adoration will be held in the main church while our chapel is having repair work done

ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 9:00 pm Wednesday

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

May 12: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs

May 13: Our Lady of Fatima

May 14: St. Matthias, Apostle

May 15: St. Isidore

May 16: St. Alexander, Bishop and Martyr

May 17: St. Victor, Martyr

May 18: St. John I, Pope and Martyr

FATHER'S COLUMN

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me.

In the gospel of this fourth Sunday of Easter, we are given a condensed model of the spiritual life and discipleship. It involves listening to, knowing and following our Good Shepherd. The sheep of the Good Shepherd listen to his voice. Unlike the voice of strangers, the sheep listen and respond to the voice of their shepherd. They are attuned to his tone and the rhythm of his speech. They find a home within his words.

We who belong to the flock of the Lord might ask, how well do I know this voice? How much time do I spend listening to it with love each day? How might I build a home with the Word of God? Whether we recognize it or not, we are deeply known by this Shepherd. Indeed, he knows us better than we know ourselves. In this knowing, there is no shame. We are recognized for who we are as beloved daughters and sons of God. And we are called to become even more authentically ourselves.

The Good Shepherd knows us and calls us by name... Are there pieces of yourself you are still trying to hide from God? It is no use. In Psalm 139, we read; "My very self you know." Therefore, take time to experience yourself as deeply known, and also deeply loved by the Lord of life. Only after you have listened to the voice of the Good Shepherd and heard him call you by name can you then follow him.

God does not crave your fearful submission but your loving and joyful collaboration in building the kingdom of God. May we listen, know, and follow. Since nothing qualifies the Good Shepherd's commitment to and care of us, nothing ought to qualify our response. But being weak human beings, weak sheep, sometimes our response is far from perfect. Even then, our Good Shepherd remains steadfast, caring for us and gently calling us back to him. Our source of confidence and hope is this Good Shepherd who never abandons his flock, who shares his risen Life with us, who never tires of loving us.

This is the kind of leader, the kind of shepherd we can hear trustingly and follow confidently.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

St. Mary

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, May 10: Patty Clarke Mary Ann Rimini

Saturday, May 17: Mary Jane Schmidt & Patty Clarke Saturday, May 24: Emily Martin & Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, May 31: John & Mary Jo Brown

Saturday, June 7: Mary Ann Rimini & Emily Martin

LECTORS

Saturday, May 10: Carol Hupp

Saturday, May 17: Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, May 24: Tony Krager

Saturday, May 31: Dan Martin

Saturday, June 7: Kathy Rovey

St. Raymond

MAY

LECTOR Linda Hocking CANTOR Deb Held HOSPITALITY Carl Walch EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS Verne Pinkston John Barto HOMEBOUND MINISTER: May 4: Hocking/Krager May 11: Dick Lyons May 18: Carl Marten May 25: Noller/Morehouse SERVERS: Sun, May 4: Dan Held Sun, May 11: Avery & Luke Pope Freddie & Lucy Wagahoff Sun, May 18: Denny Held

Austin & Addy Nicol

Sun, May 25: Luke Pope

St. Maurice

SUNDAY, MAY 11

LECTOR Dereke Dunkirk EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS Charlie Golitko John Bergschneider Ed Goebel USHERS Mark Langen, Diane McWard-Sullivan, Cindy Folkerts, and Albert Emery SERVER Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy SUNDAY, MAY 18 LECTOR Gerry Goebel EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS Catherine O'Connell Dale Brockamp Marietta Dunkirk USHERS Mark Langen, Diane McWard-Sullivan, Cindy Folkerts, and Albert Emery SERVERS Macie Ferrill Adelaide and Gentry Dunkirk SUNDAY, MAY 25 LECTOR Pat Wolf EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS Catherine O'Connell John Bergschneider Ed Goebel USHERS Mark Langen, Diane McWard-Sullivan, Cindy Folkerts, and Albert Emery SERVER Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR MAY 3/4

St. Mary: \$1,003

St. Raymond: \$3,070

St. Maurice: \$3,068

OUR PRAYER LIST

Rose Mundhenke, Georgetta Dean, Brant Weitekamp, Rita Sloan, Martha Beeler, Thelma Goebel, Debbie Lucas, Drake Lucas, Trent Boston, Ron Painter, Carol Ann Harding, Martha Reed, Deanne Kirby, Heather Miller, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Vickie Norris, Greg Weitekamp, Jim Weitekamp

Remember to pray for our Pope, Bishop, Priests and seminarians, and for the increase of vocations to priesthood and religious life.

St. Raymond Mums for Moms

Our CCW will once again be sponsoring Mums for Moms for Mother's Day. If you would like to honor a mother, living or deceased, please complete a form or call Missy Dean at 217-556-2439 <u>by today, Sunday, May 11.</u> Forms will be passed out and will also be available in the back of the church.

The Mother's Day Honoree list will be printed in next Sunday's bulletin. Mums are available to take for Mother's Day today after Mass.

St. Raymond Food Pantry Service Project

Please bring your filled totes back to the church today, Sunday, May 11.

<u>Notice:</u> Over half of the totes that were handed out the first month of this project have not been brought back. If you have taken a tote with no intention of filling it or simply misplaced one, please bring it back empty. These totes were generously donated by a parishioner and are solely handed out with the intention that they will be brought back with food for the Food Pantry and are not free bags to take for personal use. Thank you.

Celebration of 1st Holy Communion & Confirmation

Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

Study on The Gospel of Matthew

Each Tuesday with 2 options for location/time: - 10:00 am in Farmersville at the Parish Rectory - 6:30 pm in Raymond at the CCD Hall

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond



St. Raymond Pro-Life Group Diaper and Wet Wipe Drive

Now through the end of May, ending on May 25, please bring diapers and or wet wipes to be donated to our local pregnancy care centers to help moms in need.

Parish Unit Graduation Mass

Graduation Mass will be at St. Maurice on Sunday, May 25 at 10:00 am. Jr. High, High School and College graduates of all three parishes will be honored and are invited to participate. The graduate can wear their cap and gown if they have one and choose to.

If you have a graduate, contact Deb Forbes 217-825-3129 (call or text) or email dforbes@stmrm.org to get their information in the bulletin.

St. Raymond Participating in Summer Lunch Program

Each week while the children are out of school, we will be responsible for approximately 15 lunches on Thursdays. Lunches should consist of a sandwich (nut free), chips, drink, and possibly a treat (or other ideas that serve as a meal for kids, i.e. pizza, etc are welcome). Meals need to be dropped off the at the Library by 10:45.

If interested in helping in this ministry or for more info, call or text Marlene Marten at 217-254-3224

Disciples of Mercy Ministry at St. Maurice

If you or someone you know could benefit from having meals provided while on hospice, recovering from surgery and hospitalization, or welcoming a new baby, or if you would like to join this ministry, contact: Marietta Dunkirk 217-825-6018, Pat Christian 217-825-9811, or Claire Weitekamp 714-204-1300

Parishioner Information Updates and New Parishioner Registration

If you are a current parishioner in our parish unit and have recently moved, changed phone numbers, or email, please let Kateri know so that we can update your information.

If you would like to join one of our parishes, please contact Kateri and she will help you get registered.

Kateri can be reached at kmarten@stmrm.org

Thank you!