

AUGUST 17, 2025 | 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Feast of St. Mary (The Assumption)
August 15



Feast of St. Raymond Nonnatus
August 31



Feast of St. Maurice
September 22

THE PARISHES OF

ST. MARY

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Farmersville, IL 62533

ST. RAYMOND

306 S McElroy
Raymond, IL 62560

ST. MAURICE

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End of Monday
Parish Website:
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Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting
and Investigation: (217) 321-1155

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

5:00 pm St. Mary: The People of Our Parishes

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

8:00 am St. Raymond: Dan & Catherine
Edmiston White

10:00 am St. Maurice: Nicholas DeBrun

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

8:00 am St. Mary: Helen Boehler

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

8:00 am St. Raymond: The Powley Family

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

8:00 am St. Maurice: The living and deceased
members of the Kern and
Schilling Families

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

5:00 pm St. Mary: Velma Langen

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

8:00 am St. Raymond: Richard Uhrig

10:00 am St. Maurice: The People of Our Parishes

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

AUGUST IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

IS DEDICATED TO:

The Immaculate Heart of Mary

OUR HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THIS MONTH IS :

For mutual coexistence

"Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems
more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of
confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or
ideological reasons

FATHER'S COLUMN

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have come to set the earth on fire,
and how I wish it were already blazing!

Most people naturally avoid fighting. We want to live
our lives in peace. We pray for peace in the world... But
what is peace?

Jesus makes clear in the Gospel of this Sunday that his
mission will bring serious divisions among people. The
issue here is not to sow division, but to be faithful to the
saving mission for which Jesus was sent. We have the
deepest peace when we ourselves take up and are
faithful to Jesus' saving mission. Even in the midst of strife,
we can know peace

In this Gospel, Jesus uses the image of fire. This fire is an
image referring to divine judgment. Jesus is clearly
stating that he has come to judge the people. His own
faithfulness to this task and his saving mission led to his
great anguish and ultimately to his passion and death.
So will we, his faithful disciples, be treated.

Jesus' intent here is not primarily to condemn people,
but to challenge them to live right and according to the
covenant established with God. So this must be our
intention as well. Thus commitment to our Christian
mission means facing opposition. The critical question for
Jesus' disciples is whether or not we are enough on fire to
continue his saving mission, no matter what the cost.

The important point is that neither Jesus nor we choose
division and conflict; we choose to speak God's word
and preach the values consistent with God's reign. Thus,
divisions occur simply by being faithful to God's message.
That's the power of the Gospel: being a faithful disciple
of Jesus will often instigate a clash of values, of
principles, of priorities. The judgment we ourselves must
make each day is whether or not we are faithful to the
Gospel values and challenges Jesus has taught us.

Jesus' very message leads to division because it calls
people to conversion and a radical way of life, a life of
self-giving for the good of others. We must make a
decision to follow him and share his passion, to be self-
giving as he is. This results in division, even within families,
because all of us do not make the same choice to follow
Jesus

Jesus came to preach the Good News of radical
fidelity to God. However, being faithful to Jesus, even
when this brings conflict and divisions, is how we achieve
lasting peace. If we compromise our Gospel message in
order to have peace now, we forfeit the everlasting
peace which is promised to the faithful disciple. The
choice is ours.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, August 16:
Patty Clarke
Mary Ann Rimini

Saturday, August 23:
Mary Jane Schmidt
& Patty Clarke

Saturday, August 30:
Emily Martin
& Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, September 6:
John &
Mary Jo Brown

Saturday, September 13:
Mary Ann Rimini
& Emily Martin

LECTORS

Saturday, August 16:
Carol Hupp

Saturday, August 23:
Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, August 30:
Tony Krager

Saturday, September 6:
Dan Martin

Saturday, September 13:
Kathy Rovey

ST. RAYMOND

AUGUST

LECTOR Doris Morehouse
CANTOR Tim Mizera
HOSPITALITY Dennis Rosenthal
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Larry Weitekamp
Dianne Hampton

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:
August 3: Hocking/Krager
August 10: Dick Lyons
August 17: Carl Marten
August 24: Noller/Morehouse
August 31: Dick Lyons

SERVERS:
Sun, Aug 3: Denny Held
Sun, Aug 10: Dan Held
Fri, Aug 15 - The Assumption of Mary:
TBD
Sun, Aug 17: Luke Pope
Austin & Addy Nicol
Sun, Aug 24: Avery & Luke Pope
Sun, Aug 31: Denny Held

ST. MAURICE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

LECTOR Diane McWard-Sullivan

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Dale Brockamp
Catherine O'Connell
Marietta Dunkirk

USHERS Marilyn Boston
Linda Sheedy & Brenda Deardorff

SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun
Rian Deardorff

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

LECTOR Catherine O'Connell

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
John Bergschneider
Ed Goebel
Larry Goebel

USHERS Marilyn Boston
Linda Sheedy & Brenda Deardorff

SERVERS Macie Ferrill
Adelaide and Gentry Dunkirk

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR AUGUST 9/10

St. Mary: not available at time of print

St. Raymond: \$ 1,842

St. Maurice: \$2,183

OUR PRAYER LIST

Raegan Morris, Jim Weitekamp, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Brant Weitekamp, Terry Shutt,
John Bergschneider, Don Ottonger, Carter Cwiertniak, Monte Busen, Gail Meisner, Darlene O'Brien, Martha Beeler,
Trent Boston, Carol Ann Harding, Martha Reed, Deanne Kirby, Greg Weitekamp

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

To add a name to the prayer list, please email Kateri at kmarten@stmrm.org and specify how many weeks you'd like
that name to appear for (1 week up to a maximum of 12 weeks). You're always welcome to re-add the name
at the end of this period if the need for prayer is still present, but this will help keep the list focused and fresh.

St. Mary to Celebrate Patroness' Feast Day

Saturday, August 16 we will celebrate the Assumption of Mary with refreshments served after Mass. Everyone is welcome, please join us!

St. Mary Centennial Campaign Announcement

Saturday, August 16 after Mass Kevin Clark will speak about our Centennial Campaign.

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

St. Raymond Thank You

Thank you to Phil Borgic for the donation of dirt and his use of the skid steer to place the dirt around the foundation of the rectory. Thank you also to Greg Beck for spreading the dirt and raking it into place. This outward slope will help in draining water away from the rectory instead of it draining into the crawl space. We will sow grass seed when the weather cools a little and rain is more plentiful.

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

New Online Giving Available for each of Our Parishes

We now offer a new online giving platform for each parish in our unit. If you wish to access the online giving, go to our parish unit website www.stmrm.org, select your parish on the home page, then scroll to and select the giving card on that parishes page. This will direct you to our new online giving platform, Pushpay, where you can enter a one time or a recurring donation.

St. Louis School looking for Drivers

Volunteer driver(s) for both the morning and afternoon routes for the Raymond/Morrisonville van to and from St. Louis Catholic School in Nokomis. Must be in good health, have a valid driver's license and have taken or be willing to take the Diocese of Springfield's Safe Environment Training and Background check. Please call 217-563-7445 and ask to speak to the principal, Mr. Tony Bodnar, if you can help!!

Coat Drive to be held by Blessed Hope Church

Blessed Hope is partnering with Project Third Day to host a coat drive on Saturday, September 13. They will be accepting new or gently used coats. The goal is to have them available for pickup on Saturday, October 18. For questions, contact Jonathon Wagahoff 217-836-0860 or Amy Barnes 618-570-9089

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

Email Bulletin

If you would like to receive our weekly email bulletin, let Kateri know at kmarten@stmrm.org

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

August 18: St. Helena, Empress

August 19: St. John Eudes, Priest

August 20: St. Bernard,
Abbott and Doctor of the Church

August 21: St. Pius X, Pope

August 22: St. Timotheus, Martyr

August 23: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

August 24: St Bartholomew, Apostle