# SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME







## 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, SEPTEMBER 27

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

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28** 

8:00 am St. Raymond: Mary "Toots" Walch

10:00 am St. Maurice: Deceased members of the

Sloan & Nolan families

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

8:00 am St. Mary: Bill Seelbach

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:00 am St. Raymond: Ed Weitekamp

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

8:00 am St. Maurice: Marge Held

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4** 

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

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5** 

8:00 am St. Raymond: Harold & Verna Weitekamp

10:00 am St. Maurice: Raymond O'Brien

## 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

ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 9:00 pm Wednesday

## SAINTS OF THE WEEK

September 29: Sts. Michael, Gabriel, Archangels.

September 30: St. Jerome,

Priest & Doctor of the Church.

October 1: St. Therese of the Child Jesus,

Carmelite, Virgin & Doctor of the Church.

October 2: Sts. Guardian Angels.

October 3: St. Candida, Martyr.

October 4: St. Francis of Assisi.

Founder of the Franciscan Order.

October 5: St. Faustina Kowalska.

## **FATHER'S COLUMN**

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

"There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day.

And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores."

Someone who is "in our face" is bold and aggressive toward us about something, he won't let go, he keeps pushing. Sometimes our response is to shout at them to get out of our "personal space," meaning the person is too close, invading us, pushing us too far.

Sometimes it takes someone who is in our face to get us to see something important. Sometimes someone has to invade our personal space in order for us to see that person. And, sometimes, even someone being in our face or invading our personal space doesn't capture our attention enough to make us notice.

In this Sunday's Gospel, the poor man Lazarus is invading the rich man's personal space: he is "lying at his door." He is right there. He is in the rich man's face. We can well imagine the rich man literally stepping over Lazarus.

The rich man is so busy, so self-absorbed, that Lazarus did not affect him. Until the rich man died and was tormented by his punishment for not responding to Lazarus. Only in torment does he notice Lazarus. He begs that the very man whom he ignored during his life should come to alleviate his torment, should bring him some cool water to ease him. Yet, he offered nothing to Lazarus while he was living. The rich man in torment also begs Abraham to send "someone from the dead" to warn his five brothers to repent and change their way of living.

In fact, during his earthly life, the rich man had "someone from the dead" warning him to repent and change the sick, suffering, starving Lazarus "lying at his door" who was as good as "dead" to the rich man.

The message of "Moses and the prophets" about how we are to live comes not only in the word of Scripture, but also through those lying "at our door". And, unlike the rich man in the parable, we do have Someone among us who has "risen from the dead"; Our Lord Jesus. We need only to listen. This is how we gain the insight to see those in need at our own door and choose how to respond.

There is a great "chasm" between selfishness and self-surrender, between evil and good, between the lost and the saved. This chasm is a metaphor for listening to God's word and allowing ourselves to be guided by its demands. The time to respond decisively to God and others is now; after death it is too late. Indeed, "someone from the dead" has come to warn us. Who? Do we listen?

## **MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

ST. MARY

St. Raymond

ST. MAURICE

#### **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

Saturday, September 27:

Mary Jane Schmidt

& Patty Clarke

Saturday, October 4:
Emily Martin
& Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, October 11: John & Mary Jo Brown

Saturday, October 18: Mary Ann Rimini & Emily Martin

Saturday, October 25: Patty Clarke Mary Ann Rimini

#### **LECTORS**

Saturday, September 27: Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, October 4: Tony Krager

Saturday, October 11: Dan Martin

Saturday, October 18: Kathy Rovey

Saturday, October 25: Carol Hupp **SEPTEMBER** 

LECTOR Lindsay Wagahoff
CANTOR Deb Held
HOSPITALITY Allen Poggenpohl
EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS

John Barto Neil Wagahoff

SERVERS:

Sun, Sept 28: Denny Held HOMEBOUND MINISTER: Sept 28: Noller/Morehouse

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

LECTOR ...... Larry Goebel EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS .....

Dale Brockamp Catherine O'Connell Marietta Dunkirk

USHERS ...... Jim Schneider

Dan & Debbie Brockamp

Steve Weitekamp

SERVER .....Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

#### **OCTOBER**

LECTOR Linda Hocking
CANTOR Verne Pinkston
HOSPITALITY Phil Brown

**EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS** 

Donna & Jerry Wagahoff

**SERVERS:** 

Sun, Oct 5: Luke Pope

Austin & Addy Nicol

Sun, Oct 12: Luke Pope

Freddie & Lucy

Sun, Oct 19: Dan Held Sun, Oct 26: Denny Held HOMEBOUND MINISTER: Oct 5: Hocking/Krager Oct 12: Dick Lyons

Oct 19: Carl Marten
Oct 26: Noller/Morehouse

## PARISH ENGAGEMENT FOR SEPTEMBER 20/21

ST. MARY
Collection: \$3,610

ST. RAYMOND
Collection: \$1,950

ST. MAURICE Collection: \$1,672 Attendance: 86

## **OUR PRAYER LIST**

Carl & Pat Durbin, Jim Klaus, Georgetta Dean, Debbie Lucas, Drake Lucas, Larry Lucas, Regan Morris, Jim Weitekamp, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Brant Weitekamp, Terry Shutt, Trent Boston, Greg Weitekamp

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

## PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

## Parish Unit Youth Religious Education Programs

Parents of K through 12 youth please join us for a parents meeting on <u>Sunday, September 28</u> in St. Maurice Church after the 10:00 am Mass. Refreshments will be served after the meeting next door for a class room open house.

Our first class will be Wednesday, October 1 starting at 6:00 pm. Dinner will be provided.

All youth who have yet to receive First Communion & Confirmation, and their parents will meet at the Fuller Street Building in Morrisonville.

All youth who have already received the sacraments up through high school will meet at the St. Maurice rectory/school house. Please bring your Bible!

#### **Pro-Life Prayer**

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

## Prayer for Our Country at Our Lady of the Highways Shrine, Raymond

In anticipation of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7), we will meet to ask our Blessed Mother to watch over and protect our country. Please bring your rosary and a lawn chair.

Saturday, October 4 at 10:00 am at the Our Lady of the Highways Shrine located at Carl and Marlene Marten's, 22353 W Frontage Rd.

## Parish Unit Study of Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

Starts Tuesday, October 7

Each Tuesday with 2 options for location/time:

- 10:00 am in Farmersville at the rectory
- 6:30 pm in Raymond in the CCD Hall

Study books are \$20 each. Money can be dropped in the collection basket with a note, or brought to the first class.

## St. Maurice Bake Sale Thank You

Thank you to all who donated to our bake sale for St. Maurice Cemetery, it was a huge success. We were able to give \$1,226.00 to the Cemetery for upkeep and improvements. Thank you to those that sent donations, helped set up and tear down. Hopefully, all the baked goodies were enjoyed by you and your families.

## Parish Unit Teen Bible Study

Next study is Wednesday, October 8 at 6:30 pm in the St. Maurice rectory/school house. Pizza will be served. Bring your Bible!

#### Extraordinary Ministers at St. Mary to be Commissioned

All our new and already serving Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist will be commissioned at Mass on Saturday, October 11.

## Morrisonville KC Fundraiser to Support High School Trip

KC Council 1151 is partnering with the Morrisonville High School to support their Washington DC trip with a live music concert.

Saturday, October 25 from 7-10 pm at the KC Hall in Morrisonville Featuring Super Mario Speedwagon

Advance tickets are \$15 available from: Brian Grundy 217-823-9874, Dan Johnson 217-381-8220, or Larry Goebel 217-652-0903.

Already have plans for that date or not a concert goer, but still want to support the cause? Donations will be greatly appreciated!

#### Farmersville KC Trivia Night

Saturday, October 25 at the KC Hall Doors open at 6:30 pm Money prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd & last place!

Tables are set for teams of 8, \$15 per person Admission includes chili and hot dogs Bring your own beverage of choice You are welcome to dress up for Halloween!

For more info or to sign up, call: Al Rimini 217-825-3948 or Rory Rossi 217-306-0094

## St. Mary's Volunteers are Awesome! Thanks to all!

Pressure Washing Sign:

Mike Martin, Carl Leonard, and Kevin Payne

Refreshing Rock around the Church: Tony Krager and John Cawthon

Repainting Bannisters on Stairs: Kevin & Carolyn Clark

Replacing Door Closers and Pressure Washing Rug at Entry: Kenny Schmidt