

OCTOBER 5, 2025
27TH 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

310 Nobbe St.
Farmersville, IL 62533

ST. RAYMOND

306 S McElroy
Raymond, IL 62560

ST. MAURICE

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Morrisonville, IL 62546

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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, 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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:00 am St. Mary: Helen Boehler

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:00 am St. Raymond: Patrick Boehler

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

8:00 am St. Maurice: Karen Spurgeon

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

5:00 pm St. Mary: John & Rose Luciano

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:00 am St. Raymond: The People of Our Parishes

10:00 am St. Maurice: Reno & Grace Yattoni

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

October 6: St. Mary Francis of the Five Wounds,
Virgin, Franciscan

October 7: St. Mark, Pope

October 8: St. Pelagia, Virgin & Martyr of Antioch

October 9: St. John Henry Newman

October 10: St. Paulinus, Bishop of York,
Disciple of St. Gregory the Great

October 11: St. Philip, Deacon

October 12: The Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of the Church

FATHER'S COLUMN

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."

The Lord replied,

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed,
you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and
planted in the sea,' and it would obey you"

Many of us have had the experience of driving on a highway and passing by a semitrailer loaded with a full home. Indeed, technology gave humans the ability to build a house and then move it to wherever they want it. The hydraulics knowledge gives enough power to practically move mountains if needed.

Move a mulberry tree? No problem! When Jesus in the Gospel suggests that a little bit of faith can move a mulberry tree, he's not suggesting that we hire hydraulic equipment! He's suggesting that we recognize that the power to be faithful disciples is not found in "how much" but in "how" obedient we are to the responsibility he gives us.

The apostles' request of Jesus to "increase their faith" is made in the face of the seemingly impossible demands of discipleship. The issue is to take what we have, whether little or great, and act. If we wait until we think we have enough faith, we will never act.

In the first example about the mulberry tree, Jesus is saying that even a little faith is enough to move this tree. The point about faith that Jesus makes is not that it be measured; active and fruitful faith is not a matter of "how much." But we must use what we do have, because even a little bit gives us great power to accomplish God's work. This is the great encouragement of the Gospel of this Sunday.

We have enough to be faithful disciples. We must have faith in who we are: God's servants empowered to carry on Jesus' saving mission.

Though the apostles ask Jesus to "increase their faith," what he gives them instead is greater confidence in the power of the faith they already have.

What is this faith? It is obedience to responsibility, a matter of willingness to undertake crucial action for the sake of God's kingdom. Even faith that "feels" small possesses great power. Faithfulness consists in doing all we have been commanded. Being faith-filled is to be able to act decisively. The faithful and faith-filled disciple is the one who doesn't wait for enough faith but continues to respond to the everyday and never-ending demands of discipleship. The Master demands our service. And then gives us the faith to perform it well.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

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

Saturday, November 1:
Mary Jane Schmidt
& Patty Clarke

LECTORS

Saturday, October 4:
Tony Krager

Saturday, October 11:
Dan Martin

Saturday, October 18:
Kathy Rovey

Saturday, October 25:
Carol Hupp

Saturday, November 1:
Mary Jane Fuchs

ST. RAYMOND

OCTOBER

LECTOR Linda Hocking
CANTOR Verne Pinkston
HOSPITALITY Phil Brown
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
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

ST. MAURICE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

LECTOR Dereke Dunkirk
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Catherine O'Connell
Diane McWard-Sullivan
John Bergschneider

USHERS Ed & Linda Voorhees
SERVERS Macie Ferrill
Adelaide and Gentry Dunkirk

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

LECTOR Gerry Goebel
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Charlie Golitko
Carl Goebel
Larry Goebel

USHERS Ed & Linda Voorhees
SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun
Rian Deardorff

PARISH ENGAGEMENT FOR SEPTEMBER 27/28

ST. MARY

Collection: \$624

ST. RAYMOND

Collection: \$1,358

ST. MAURICE

Collection: \$973
Attendance: 82

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

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.

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

St. Raymond Sunday Social

Join us Today Sunday, October 5 after Mass for coffee, donuts & more at the KC Hall. Hope to see you there!

St. Raymond Monthly Food Pantry Service Project

Totes will be available Sunday, October 5 to take home and fill with food for our local food pantry.

Please bring your filled totes back to the church next Sunday, October 12.

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

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.

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!

Parish Unit Youth Religious Education Programs

Classes are on Wednesdays (see dates below) 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!

Class dates through the end of this year:

October 15, 29, November 12, 19, December 3

Dates for 2026 to be added later.

Contact Father for more information.

Baby Bottle Campaign Supporting Loving Arms

For Respect Life Month, our parish unit will be sponsoring the Baby Bottle campaign to support Loving Arms pregnancy center in Taylorville. Bottles will be passed out at each parish Sunday, October 5 and can be returned anytime during the month of October.

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.

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. Maurice to Host Parish Unit Fun Night

Sunday, October 26, starting at 5 pm at St. Maurice.

Come join us for an evening of games, laughter, pumpkin painting, and a wiener roast. Hot dogs, chips, smores, and drinks will be provided. All paper products will be furnished.

For questions contact Marietta Dunkirk 217-825-6018. We hope to see you all there!

St. Maurice Food Stand Thank You

The St. Maurice food stand made \$8,238. Thank you to everyone that worked and supported us again this year.