

NOVEMBER 2, 2025
31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ALL YOU HOLY MEN & WOMEN, PRAY FOR US!

THE PARISHES OF

ST. MARY

310 Nobbe St.
Farmersville, IL 62533

ST. RAYMOND

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Raymond, IL 62560

ST. MAURICE

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End of Monday
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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

8:00 am St. Raymond: Ed Weitekamp

10:00 am St. Maurice: John & Mary Lou Langen

Note: Because All Saints Day falls on a Saturday this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

8:00 am St. Mary: Helen Boehler

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

8:00 am St. Raymond: Dan Connolly

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

8:00 am St. Maurice: Lawrence "Speedy" Beaty

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

5:00 pm St. Mary: Glenn Rovey

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

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

10:00 am St. Maurice: Rita Millburg

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

November 3: St. Martin de Porres, Dominican

November 4: St. Charles Borromeo,
Archbishop and Cardinal

November 5: Sts. Domninus, Teothimus &
Companions, Martyrs

November 6: St. Leonard, Hermit

November 7: St. Willibrord, Bishop

November 8: Sts. Crowned, Martyrs

November 9: Sts. Mary & Neone, Martyrs

FATHER'S COLUMN

Jesus said to the crowds:

This is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day."

There are some issues which parents are quite uncomfortable discussing with their children. The question, "Mommy, where do babies come from?" for instance is one of them. But this is a question which eventually the children will mature into understanding. Here, parents can begin with simple explanations and, as the children grow older, parents can give them more information on the topic.

On the other hand, the question, "Daddy, why won't Grandpa wake up?" is a question neither the children nor the adults can ever fully understand. Similar to the first question, parents begin by giving the children simple explanations, for example, "Grandpa is not sleeping, he's in heaven with God."

Yet, even as adults, death is a mystery to us. We understand physiologically what death is, we can even come to deal with it emotionally. But if that is all there were to death, it would be fairly simple.

However, there is more: we know physical death is the end of natural life; we believe that there is life eternal. This is why we celebrate this feast-day commemorating the faithful departed. We believe they live forever.

Believing and remembering are key to this day's celebration. The Gospel is comforting: Jesus "will not reject anyone who comes to me." And for all those who come, Jesus teaches that it is "the will of my Father" that they will "have eternal life." Salvation and eternal life are God's promise to us. God desires that we "who have grown into union with Jesus through a death like his", as we read from the second reading, will live forever.

As we unite ourselves with Jesus and pattern our own living after his paschal journey, we do grow into the mystery of everlasting life. Without fully understanding life eternal, we live with the expectation that one day we will be united with Jesus in his resurrection. We respond to the promise and expectation of eternal life by believing in Jesus.

Believing, in fact, is simply living what Jesus taught by our embracing his dying and rising mystery. Believing is doing what Jesus did: he gave himself for the good of others. As God raised Jesus up, so does God raise up those who believe.

We also remember the faithful departed this day. Remembering here is more than "recalling" our loved ones, although that may well be part of our celebrations this day; our remembering the faithful departed is broader than that. Our remembering on this feast-day enables us to enter into the very mystery the faithful departed now live: whatever happens to the faithful who have believed and died, will happen to us. Remembering, then, is a way to express our belief and hope. By uniting ourselves with the faithful departed, we embrace the mystery which we cannot understand: we embrace eternal life. Amen.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

LECTORS

Saturday, November 1:
Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, November 8:
Tony Krager

Saturday, November 15:
Dan Martin

Saturday, November 22:
Kathy Rovey

Saturday, November 29:
Kevin Clark

Saturday, December 6:
Carol Hupp

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, November 1:
Mary Jane Schmidt
& Patty Clarke

Saturday, November 8:
Emily Martin
& Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, November 15:
Carolynn Clark
& Emily Martin

Saturday, November 22:
John &
Mary Jo Brown

Saturday, November 29:
Mary Ann Rimini
& Carolynn Clark

ST. RAYMOND

NOVEMBER

LECTOR Doris Morehouse
CANTOR Tim Mizera
HOSPITALITY Gabe Pope
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Larry Weitekamp
Dianne Hampton

SERVERS:

Sun, Nov 2: Dan Held
Sun, Nov 9: Denny Held
Sun, Nov 16: Luke Pope
Freddie & Lucy Wagahoff
Sun, Nov 23: Dan Held
Sun, Nov 30: Luke Pope
Austin & Addy Nicol

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:

Nov 2: Hocking/Krager
Nov 9: Dick Lyons
Nov 16: Carl Marten
Nov 23: Noller/Morehouse
Nov 30: Dick Lyons

ST. MAURICE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

LECTOR Ed Goebel
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Diane McWard-Sullivan
Brian Grundy
Larry Goebel
USHERS Pat & Glenna Wolf
SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun
Rian Deardorff

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

LECTOR Elaine Wagner
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Charlie Golitko
Carl Goebel
Ed Goebel
USHERS Pat & Glenna Wolf
SERVER
Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

LECTOR Diane McWard-Sullivan
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Catherine O'Connell
Dale & Kendra Brockamp
USHERS Ed & Linda Voorhees
Joe & Andrea Grundy
SERVERS Macie Ferrill
Adelaide and Gentry Dunkirk

PARISH ENGAGEMENT FOR OCTOBER 25/26

ST. MARY

Collection: \$1,604

ST. RAYMOND

Collection: \$1,623

ST. MAURICE

Collection: \$1,067
Attendance: 121

OUR PRAYER LIST

Martha Beeler, Andy Foote, Marcia Rosenthal,
Cheryl Hampton, Pat Durbin, Jim Klaus, Georgetta Dean,
Debbie Lucas, Drake Lucas, Larry Lucas, Regan Morris,
Jim Weitekamp, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin,
Brant Weitekamp, 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.

If you know of a parishioner that you'd like added to
Father's visitation list, please let him or Kateri know.

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

St. Maurice to Hold Open House for Old Rectory/Rental House -Bob Montgomery

Sunday, November 2 after mass until ~1:00 pm the old rectory will be open on for any parishioners who would like to view it.

St. Raymond Sunday Social

Join us Sunday, November 2 after Mass for coffee, donuts & more at the KC Hall. Hope to see you there!

Jerseyville Deanery CCW Meeting

Thursday, November 6 at St. Michael's in Greenfield, IL. Registration at 8:30 am, ceremony honoring deceased women of the deanery and Rosary at 9:00 am followed by 9:30 am Mass.

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

Fr. John Hannigan will be celebrating all Masses on the weekend of November 15/16.

FAITH FORMATION

Parish Unit Study of Mary

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

Note: the two locations may not be in synic on sessions

Parish Unit Teen Bible Study

Next study is on Wednesday, November 5 at 6:30 pm in the St. Maurice rectory/school house. Pizza will be served. Bring your Bible.

Parish Unit Youth Religious Education Programs

Next class is on Wednesday, November 12 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!

St. Maurice Senior Activity in Arthur

Join us on November 13, as we travel to Arthur to eat at Yoder's Kitchen and then visit Beachey's. Meet at the church at 9:30 am to car pool. For questions, call Marietta Dunkirk 217-825-6018

St. Mary Thanksgiving Food Drive

Please bring non-perishable food items to church on Saturday, November 15. Items will be delivered to the Food Pantry.

St. Raymond CCW Sponsor Thanksgiving Foodless Bakesale

Proceeds will benefit the Panhandle Food Pantry. Envelopes will be passed out as well as available in the vestibule. Please return envelopes by December 1 by placing in the offering basket.

St. Raymond Advent Party

Sunday, December 7 at 5:30 pm at the KC Hall.



Pictures from the Parish Unit Fun Night hosted by St. Maurice on Sunday, October 26

