

JANUARY 18, 2026

2ND 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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Morrisonville, IL 62546

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Bulletin Deadline:
End of Monday
Parish Website:
stmmr.org

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting
and Investigation: (217) 321-1155

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17

5:00 pm St. Mary: Helen Boehler

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

8:00 am St. Raymond: The People of Our Parishes
10:00 am St. Maurice: John Langen

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

8:00 am St. Mary: Bill Seelbach

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

8:00 am St. Raymond: Tim Marten and Lucia Cuvar

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8:00 am St. Raymond: Richard Uhrig

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

8:00 am St. Maurice: Lou Norris

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

8:00 am St. Raymond: Cindy Foote
10:00 am St. Maurice: Dave Sheedy

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

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 19: St. John, Bishop of Ravenna

January 20: St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr

January 21: St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

January 22: St. Vincent Pallotti, Priest & Founder of
The Union of the Catholic Apostolate

January 23: St. Emerenziana, Roman Martyr

January 24: St. Francis de Sales,
Bishop & Doctor of the Church

January 25: Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

FATHER'S COLUMN

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said,

"Behold, the one of whom I said,
'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me
because he existed before me.'

I did not know him, but the reason why I came baptizing
with water was that he might be made known to Israel."

We know from the dynamics of our own human
relationships that coming to know another person takes
time, energy, patience, understanding, and steadfast
love. No matter how long a relationship lasts, we can
never know a person fully. Consider a couple who has
been married for fifty, sixty, even seventy years. How well
they know each other! Yet they can still discover new
and exciting things about each other.

How much more so is this true about our relationship
with Christ.

How did John come to know who Jesus is? His journey
of discovery symbolizes the experience of every human
being coming to know who Jesus is. The journey passes
through many stages of knowing and not knowing
before arriving at a place of certainty and belief.

Moreover, John's response of testifying before the
world that Jesus is the "Son of God" symbolizes the
mission of every believer. This mission requires
persistence, clarity, and courage. This mission is unending
because the mystery of who Jesus is can never be
exhausted. So why bother?

Because there is no relationship more life-giving than
the one we have with Jesus. Because there is no mystery
more satisfying than the mystery of who Jesus is for us.
Because there is no mission as transforming of the world
than the work we do of coming to know and testify to
the person of Jesus who dwells in us and among us.
There is no end to what we will discover and can reveal
about Jesus. This is why there is no end to what we will
also discover about each other.

WINTER WEATHER MASS NOTICE:

If school is canceled due to bad weather,
weekday mass will also be canceled.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

LECTORS

Saturday, January 17:
Dan Martin

Saturday, January 24:
Kathy Rovey

Saturday, January 31:
Kevin Clark

Saturday, February 7:
Carol Hupp

Saturday, February 14:
Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, February 21:
Tony Krager

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, January 17:
Carolynn Clark
& Emily Martin

Saturday, January 24:
John &
Mary Jo Brown

Saturday, January 31:
Mary Ann Rimini
& Carolynn Clark

Saturday, February 7:
Patty Clarke
Mary Ann Rimini

Saturday, February 14:
Mary Jane Schmidt
& Patty Clarke

Saturday, February 21:
Emily Martin
& Mary Jane Schmidt

ST. RAYMOND

JANUARY

LECTOR Cheryl Gonet
CANTOR Deb Held
HOSPITALITY Phil Borgic
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS Tricia Pinkston
Neil Wagahoff

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:

Jan 4: Hocking/Krager
Jan 11: Dick Lyons
Jan 18: Carl Marten
Jan 25: Noller/Morehouse

SERVERS:

Sun, Jan 4: Dan Held
Sun, Jan 11: Luke Pope
Austin & Addy Nicol
Sun, Jan 18: Denny Held
Sun, Jan 25: Dan Held

ST. MAURICE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

LECTOR Diane McWard-Sullivan
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Marietta Dunkirk
Dale & Kendra Brockamp

USHERS Larry & Karen Goebel
Richard & Rochelle Grundy

SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun
Rian Deardorff

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

LECTOR Catherine O'Connell
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Gerry Goebel
Ed Goebel
Linda Sheedy

USHERS Larry & Karen Goebel
Richard & Rochelle Grundy

SERVERS Macie Ferrill
Adelaide and Gentry Dunkirk

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

LECTOR Dale Brockamp
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Diane McWard-Sullivan
Brian Grundy
Larry Goebel

USHERS Eric & Becky O'Brien

SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun
Rian Deardorff

PARISH ENGAGEMENT FOR JANUARY 10/11

ST. MARY

Collection: \$1,682

ST. RAYMOND

Collection: \$4,475

ST. MAURICE

Collection: \$1,279
Attendance:

OUR PRAYER LIST

Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Marcia Rosenthal, Rick Broaddus, Jeff Marten, Joan Graham, Lucy McGrath, Mike Armstrong, Toby Dean, Carl Armes, Larry Lucas, Drake Lucas, Georgetta Dean, Jacob Mizera, Sara Cawthon, Martha Beeler, Jim Weitekamp, Trent Boston
and for the end of all war, especially for peace in Cameroon, Fr. Florent's home in Africa.

Remember to pray for our also

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

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Afternoon Program Today with Visiting Priest

Have you ever wondered why Catholics believe they receive the true body and blood, soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ during Mass? Have you ever wondered why Catholics confess their sins to a priest?

Come find out more about these sacraments Sunday, January 18 at 2:00 pm at the K of C Hall in Raymond Fr. Augustine from the Springfield Corpus Christi Priory will lead an afternoon discussion. Bring your questions! Light refreshments will be served.

Fr. Augustine will also be giving the homily at the 8:00 am Mass at St. Raymond and the 10:00 am Mass at St. Maurice on these topics.

Panhandle Senior Citizens Meet

Tuesday, January 20 at 11:30
Soup and chili meal with bingo after eating.

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

Morrisonville K of C Selling Strawberries

Taking pre-orders now through February 10 for flats of fresh strawberries to be delivered from Florida the week of March 2-6.

\$30 per flat, each flat is 8 quarts or 10 lbs.
We will also take orders for half-flats at \$15 each.
Pay when you order via cash, check or Venmo.

Dale Brockamp: 217-414-2804, Larry Goebel: 217-652-0903,
Craig Moore: 217-827-0115, Carl Goebel: 217-827-1498
Pick-up will be at Morrisonville KC Hall.
Limited delivery if necessary.

Bookkeeper/Secretary Needed

Our parish unit is in need of new bookkeepers and secretaries at all three parishes as the current staff is ready to step down. We are in need of either one or two persons covering all 3 parishes in our unit or one or two individuals at each parish. The responsibilities of the jobs would be paying bills weekly, completing statistical and Financial Diocesan reports as required, entering weekly contributions, keeping sacramental records up to date and accurate, making ministry schedules, scheduling Mass intentions, preparing 1099 reports at year end, plus other assignments as necessary. The job would probably take about 6-8 hours weekly at each parish or if one person was serving all three parishes 20-25 hours weekly. We will need one person to design, print and distribute the bulletins for our unit each week.

If you are interested, please call Father Florent 414-460-0335. If you have specific questions concerning the job, you may contact Marlene Marten 217-254-3224, Deb Forbes 217-825-3129 or Kateri Marten kmarten@stmrm.org

St. Raymond Pro-Life Ministry Collecting Baby Items for Pro-Life Month

Help us support moms in need. Items we're looking for: diapers, wet wipes, blankets, creams/lotion, zinc oxide, changing pads, onesies, sleepers, bottle brush, bibs, burp clothes, baby shampoo, and teethers

Please place items in the back of Church anytime during the month of January.

LETTER FROM OUR BISHOP

Dear Friends in Christ,

Catholic Times has long been a trusted and essential voice for the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. Through its clear teaching of the faith, important diocesan news, and stories that inspire hope and faith, the magazine has helped connect our diocesan family and deepen our understanding of how God is at work among us.

Over the past six years, Catholic Times has been recognized with 14 national awards from the Catholic Media Association-a testament to the dedication, professionalism, and faithfulness of those who produce it and to the value it provides to our readers. Time and again, people tell us they read the magazine "from cover to cover" and that it has helped them better understand the teachings of the Church and the life of our diocese.

In 2026, Catholic Times is taking a significant next step in its mission to inform, inspire, and connect the faithful. Beginning this year, the magazine will transition from publishing every other Sunday to a monthly magazine format. This change allows us to offer more in-depth reporting, richer photography, and a more cohesive and engaging reading experience.

With expanded space in each issue, Catholic Times will be able to tell more complete stories about the life of our parishes, schools, ministries, and people-stories of faith, service, sacrifice, and hope that make our diocese so vibrant. Readers will also notice improved paper quality, and an engaging magazine that continues to deliver the features, evangelization, and diocesan news they have come to expect and enjoy.

At its heart, Catholic Times exists to serve you-the faithful of our diocese-and to share how Christ is alive and active in our communities. I am especially grateful for the opportunity to speak directly to you through my column, *Lex Cordis Caritas*, where I reflect on the challenges we face as Catholics today and share important decisions that impact our diocesan family.

It is all these reasons why I believe Catholic Times should be available to every household in our diocese, either digitally or by mail. During the weekend of January 17-18, 2026, please encourage your parishioners to respond gratefully in support of this communication tool so we can ensure Catholic Times remains an inexpensive source of Catholic information, education, and inspiration.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki,
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois