May 3, 2026 | 5th Sunday of Easter

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:
stmrm.org

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

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, May 2

5:00 pm	St. Mary:	Special Intentions - Peggy Niekoff

Sunday, May 3

8:00 am	St. Raymond:	Toots Walch
10:00 am	St. Maurice:	The People of Our Parishes

Tuesday, May 5

8:00 am	St. Mary:	Debbie Lucas

Wednesday, May 6

8:00 am	St. Raymond:	Rosemarie Schilling and Family

Friday, May 8

8:00 am	St. Maurice:	Herman "Buzz" Lancaster

Saturday, May 9

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

Sunday, May 10

8:00 am	St. Raymond:	Richard Uhrig
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

May 4: St. Antonina of Nicea, Martyr

May 5: St. Nunzio Sulprizio

May 6: Ss. Mariunus and James, Martyrs

May 7: St. Flavia Domitilla, Roman Martyr

May 8: St. Boniface IV, Pope

May 9: St. Louise de Marillac

May 10: St. John of Avila, Priest

Father's Column

In life, it's not unusual to make leaps of faith from time to time; for example, we move to a distant State, confident that we will land a better job over there; we accept a marriage proposal, confident that the love will last; we send the children off to school, confident that they will be safe...

Following Jesus often takes a leap of faith, from believing He is present to us, to confidence that we can continue his works. When we are faithful, no trouble or anxiety can swerve us from the way to the Father through our Risen Lord Jesus.

We know who God is because we have come to know who Jesus is; we know who Jesus is because we have seen him in the works done by those who believe in him. The revelation of who God is begun in the incarnation of Jesus' works of love, mercy, healing, reconciliation, justice, and peace in the lives of his faithful followers. We know the way to the Father because we see these faithful followers walking that way, and we choose to walk with them.

To be an Easter people means that we are open to the Holy Spirit within who empowers us to do the works of Jesus. We are empowered to forgive those who have hurt us, to lift up the lives of the poor and suffering, to work for peace and justice, to encourage each other in difficult times. Although the way is not always easy, and we will meet challenges as did Jesus, we know we do not walk alone. When we are faithful, no trouble or anxiety can swerve us from the way to the Father through Jesus.

Ministry Schedules

St. Mary

Lectors

Saturday, May 2:
Kathy Rovey

Sunday, May 9:
Carol Hupp

Saturday, May 16:
Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, May 23:
Tony Krager

Saturday, May 31:
Dan Martin

Extraordinary Ministers

Saturday, May 2:
John &
Mary Jo Brown

Sunday, May 9:
Patty Clarke
Mary Ann Rimini

Saturday, May 16:
Mary Jane Schmidt
& Patty Clarke

Saturday, May 23:
Emily Martin
& Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, May 31:
Mary Ann Rimini
& Emily Martin

St. Raymond

May

LECTOR Linda Hocking
CANTOR Deb Held
HOSPITALITY Carl Walch
EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS
Verne Pinkston
John Barto

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

SERVERS:
Sun, May 3: Dan Held
Sun, May 10: Luke Pope,
Austin & Addy Nicol
Sun, May 17: Luke Pope,
Freddie & Lucy Wagahoff
Sun, May 24: Denny Held
Sun, May 31: Dan Held

St. Maurice

Sunday, May 3

LECTOR …… Pat Wolf

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS ……..
Brian Grundy
Gerry Goebel
Diane McWard-Sullivan

USHERS ……. Cindy Folkerts
John Fleigle, Albert Emery
and Diane McWard-Sullivan

SERVER ……
Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

Sunday, May 10

LECTOR ……. Larry Goebel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS ……..
Ed Goebel
Carl Goebel
Charlie Golitko

USHERS ……. Cindy Folkerts
John Fleigle, Albert Emery
and Diane McWard-Sullivan

SERVERS ...…… Nathaniel DeBrun
Rian Deardorff and Abbie Grundy

Sunday, May 17

LECTOR ……..…. Elaine Wagner

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS ……..
Catherine O'Connell
Dale & Kendra Brockamp

USHERS ……. Bill O'Connell
Dan & Linda Johnson

SERVERS …….. Macie Ferrill
Olivia Moore

Parish Engagement for April 25/26

St. Mary
Collection: $1,772

St. Raymond
Collection: $2,503

St. Maurice
Collection: $2,217
Attendance: 103

Our Prayer List

Thelma Goebel, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Lucy McGrath, Quinn Broverman, Carl Armes, Georgetta Dean, Larry Boston and for the end of all war, especially for peace in Cameroon, Fr. Florent's home in Africa.

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 for May

Join us Sunday, May 3 after Mass for coffee, donuts & more at the KC Hall. Hope to see you there!

St. Raymond CCW Sponsoring Mums for Moms for Mother's Day

If you would like to honor a mother who is living or deceased, please have forms completed by Sunday, May 3 or call Missy Dean at 217-556-2439. Forms will be passed out and in the back of the church.

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

Panhandle Senior Citizens May Meeting

Tuesday, May 19
at the Farmersville K of C Hall
Doors open at 11:30, Lunch at 12:00
We will celebrate Mother's Day and Memorial Day

St. Raymond Ladies Social Prayer Group

Tuesday, May 19 at 10:00 am
located at 112 S McElroy in Raymond

Substitute Priest in May

The weekend of May 29/30 Masses will be celebrated by Fr Pius from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield.

St. Mary Save the Date

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 6 for Mass in the park, entertainment, food and fun! Bring your lawn chair. More details to come.

St. Maurice Church Picnic Save the Date

Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 28 for this year's church picnic. There will be more information in the next months on the event.

Letter From Our Bishop

Dear Friends in Christ,

This May, our diocese will take up a collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). I invite you to give prayerful consideration to supporting this important effort. Fifty percent of the funds collected remain here in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, while the other half supports Catholic communication initiatives across the United States and around the world.

Through Catholic Times, social media, videos, podcasts, and other digital platforms, our diocese is using a wide range of tools to share the inspiring stories of people in our diocese, teach the faith, and offer hope and encouragement to people wherever they may be in their spiritual journey.

In recent years, engagement with our diocesan media has grown significantly. Our social media channels now reach more people than dioceses of similar size-and even some that are much larger. For instance, our Facebook page has grown from about 3,000 followers seven years ago to more than 13,000 today. Likewise, our YouTube channel has expanded from fewer than 500 subscribers in 2020 to over 20,000 today. This growth reflects the meaningful, inspiring, and educational content created by our diocesan team.

Our official podcast, ***Dive Deep***, reaches listeners around the world and is even featured by EWTN on its podcast central platform. In addition, our communications team has produced the documentaries ***God is Alive and God is Alive Part 2***, highlighting powerful stories of faith and miraculous events across the Midwest. More recently, the video series ***One Mile Talks***- featuring priests sharing their vocation stories, personal interests, and moments of humor - has also resonated with many viewers.

With your generous support, we can continue to create impactful content that brings people closer to Christ and, for some, even back to the Church.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generosity.

Parishioners can donate online at parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections or use their second collection envelope. You can also mail your donation to your parish office. For more information about the collection and the projects it supports, visit www.usccb.org/ccc. Thank you.

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

St. Raymond Participating in Panhandle Third Day Summer Lunch Program

We will need to provide lunches on the Thursdays from June 4 to August 6. If you would like to help with this service, please call or text Marlene at 217-254-3224 with the date you would like to provide lunches. We don't know a count yet, but last year was around 10. Thank you to all who have volunteered in the past and in advance to those who sign up this year.