

August 2, 2026

18th 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

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St. Raymond

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End of day Monday

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 1

5:00 pm St. Mary: Helen Boehler

Sunday, August 2

8:00 am St. Raymond: For the People

10:00 am St. Maurice: Carl Goebel & Geneva Abell

Tuesday, August 4

8:00 am St. Mary: Bill Seelbach

Wednesday, August 5

8:00 am St. Raymond: Edward Weitekamp

Friday, August 7

8:00 am St. Maurice: Norma Barrera

Saturday, August 8

5:00 pm St. Mary: Debbie Lucas

Sunday, August 9

8:00 am St. Raymond: For the People

10:00 am St. Maurice: Gerald Dean

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 Wednesdays

Saints of the Week

August 3: St. Lydia, Disciple of St. Paul

August 4: St. John Vianney, the Curé of Ars, Patron of Parish Priests

August 5: St. Oswald

August 6: St. Hormisdas, Pope

August 7: Sts. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs

August 8: St. Dominic of Guzmán, priest, Founder of the Dominicans

August 9: St. Theresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), Carmelite, Virgin and Martyr

FATHER'S COLUMN

"When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick."

Most of us have experienced the death of someone close to us. We know that the immediate grief is deep. These are times when we usually need to be left alone. These are times when only solitude and retreat can begin to lessen the pain. This common human experience sets the scene for this Sunday's Gospel.

Jesus' cousin and precursor John has just died. Because Jesus is one like us, it is no surprise to us that he withdraws "to a deserted place by himself" to grieve. How human is this: Jesus is grieving the death of his cousin John!

When the crowds go out to meet Jesus, however, they are not concerned about his need; instead, it is Jesus whose heart is filled with pity for their needs. The crowds approach Jesus and "his heart was moved with pity for them." Even in this most private of moments, Jesus finds the inner strength to reach out to others in need; "he cured their sick."

Here is a sign of the kingdom: not that we ourselves have power to cure the sick as Jesus did, but that we have the capacity and inner strength, helped by the Spirit who dwells within us, to reach out of our selves for the sake of another.

Jesus compassionately and willingly meets the crowd's needs and does so with superabundance: he cures their sick, he feeds them with loaves and fish, and he does so with "twelve wicker baskets" left over. The abundance of the food is a measure of his abundant compassion.

The real good news in this Sunday's Gospel does not lie in the miracle in which the crowd's hunger is satisfied and Jesus proves his power. As wondrous as all this may be, even more wondrous still is its significance: the abundant food freely given shows this as a sure sign that in the person of Jesus the kingdom of God has appeared. What the disciples cannot do alone; feed the hungry crowd with meager provisions, they can do with Jesus' blessing. So can we do all things for the good of the kingdom with Jesus' blessing.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

St. Mary

Lectors

Saturday, August 1:

Tony Krager

Saturday, August 8:

Dan Martin

Saturday, August 15:

Kathy Rovey

Saturday, August 22:

Carol Hupp

Saturday, August 29:

Mary Jane Fuchs

Extraordinary ministers

Saturday, August 1:

Emily Martin &

Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, August 8:

Mary Ann Rimini &

Emily Martin

Saturday, August 15:

John &

Mary Jo Brown

Saturday, August 22:

Patty Clarke &

Mary Ann Rimini

Saturday, August 29:

Mary Jane Schmidt &

Patty Clarke

St. Raymond

August

Lector: Doris Morehouse

Cantor: Tim Mizera

Hospitality: Jeff Hampton

Extraordinary Ministers:

Larry Weitekamp &

Dianne Hampton

Homebound Ministers

2: Hocking/Krager

9: Dick Lyons

16: Carl Marten

23: Noller/Morehouse

30: Dick Lyons

Servers:

Sun, Aug 2: Freddie & Lucy Wagahoff

Sun, Aug 9: Luke Pope

Sun, Aug 16: Denny Held

Sun, Aug 23: Austin & Addy Nicol

Sun, Aug 30: Dan Held

St. Maurice

August Ushers

Linda Sheedy, Marilyn Boston, Dorothy Dautel, and Brenda Deardorff

Sunday, August 2:

Lector: Ed goebel

Extraordinary ministers:

Diane MCward-Sullivan,

Carl Goebel, &Gerry Goebel

Servers: Adelaide, Gentry, &

Rigby Dunkirk

Sunday, August 9:

Lector: Catherine O'Connell

extraordinary ministers:

Charlie Golitko, Larry Goebel,

&Brian Grundy

Servers: Noah, Lucas, & Emma Grundy

Sunday, August 16:

Lector:Dale Brockamp

Extraordinary ministers:

Marietta Dunkirk,Carl Goebel,

&Kendra Brockamp

Servers: Nathaniel DeBrun,

Rian Deardorff & Abbie Grundy

SEPTEMBER USHERS: Steve Weitekamp,

Jim Schneider, Dan Brockamp,

&Debbie Brockamp

PARISH ENGAGEMENT FOR JULY

St. Mary

Collection : Not Available at Print

St. Raymond

Collection: \$1,321

St. Maurice

Collection: \$1,525

Attendance: 99

OUR PRAYER LIST

Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Briar Gard, Virginia Murphy, Toby Dean, Greg Pope, Carter Whalen, Doug Bell, Quinn Broverman, Georgetta Dean, Drake Lucas, Martha Beeler, Jim Weitekamp, for the end of all war, especially for peace in Camaroon, Fr. Florent's home in Africa, and for our pope, Bishop, Priests, and Seminarians, and for the increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life.

To add a name to the prayer list, please email agrundy@stmm.org and specify how many weeks you'd like the name to appear (between 1-12 weeks). You are always welcome to re-add the name at the end of this period, if the need for prayer is still present. this will help keep our list focused and fresh. If you know a parishioner that you'd like to add to fathers visitation list, please let him or Andrea know.

PARISH AND COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

St. Raymond Sunday Social

Join us Today Sunday, August 2 after Mass for coffee, donuts & more at the KC Hall.

We will be recognizing Lorrain Millburg for her Women of Distinction honor.

We will also be celebrating the feast of St. Raymond Nonnatus which is on August 31.

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

Raymond K of C Members Encouraged to Attend August 13 Meeting

At the August 13th Raymond Knights of Columbus meeting, there will be a discussion about the future of the council and the hall given the demographic challenges facing the organization. All members are encouraged to attend to provide their input and ideas. Meeting begins at 7:30 pm.

Our Parish Unit Welcomes New Secretary

We are happy to announce Andrea Grundy of St. Maurice as our new parish unit secretary. She is replacing kateri Martin and will be editing the bulletin, scheduling mass intentions, ministry schedules, sacramental records, and much more behind the scenes. She can be reached at agrundy@stmrm.org

Disciples of Mercy Ministry at St. Maurice

If you or someone you know could benefit from having meals provided while on hospice, recovering from surgery and hospitalization, or welcoming a new baby, or if you would like to join this ministry, contact: Marietta Dunkirk 217-825-6018, Pat Christian 217-825-9811, or Claire Weitekamp 714-204-1300

Parishioner updates and new parishioner information

If you are a current parishioner in our parish unit and have recently moved, changed phone numbers, or email, please let Kateri know so that we can update your information. If you would like to join one of our parishes, please contact Kateri and she will help you get registered. Andrea can be reached at agrundy@stmrm.org

Announcement for SDCCW Convention.

Registration for the SDCCW 97th Annual Convention ends August 15th
Convention is held in Quincy, IL. Events include Rosary, Mass, Speaker (Teresa Tomeo), followed by lunch and a silent auction. Please see the back of Church for registration forms and more information.



Scan QR code for more info and directions

Called and Courageous Women's Conference in Springfield

What is preventing you from trusting God more deeply? Life is full of highs and lows, and it can be hard to see where God is in the middle of it all. At this year's Catholic Women's Conference, discover how to trust God in the messy, real moments of everyday life. Learn how your emotions influence your spiritual life and how to challenge the lies that lead to self-criticism, comparison, and discouragement. You'll leave with practical tools to learn how to recognize God in your daily life, grow in prayer, and live with greater confidence in your identity as a beloved daughter of God. No matter what your season of life – single, married, divorced, widowed, young adult, or retired – you'll find encouragement, community, and hope. Saturday, October 10 at Christ the King parish Center, Springfield. For Women ages 18+, Cost is \$30. For the full schedule, speaker information, and registration, visit go.dio.org/cac. For questions contact Gracie Ortiz at gortiz@dio.org or 217-321-1124.

Catholic Connections

Eucharistic Mircale of Lenciano, Italy - 8th Century

This is perhaps the most famous Eucharistic miracle. A Basilian monk who doubted the Real Presence witnessed the host turn into flesh and the wine turn into blood during the consecration. Scientific studies in the 1970s confirmed that the flesh is human heart tissue and the blood type is AB - the same found in the Shroud of Turin. Remarkably, no preservatives have been used, yet the elements remain intact after more than 1,200 years.



A STUDY OF
Sacred Art

The Transfiguration

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Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down with Raffaello Sanzio's painting, "The Transfiguration," to discuss its theological meaning and how it can speak to us today.

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