

St. Mary's Divine Maternity  
Holy Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday January 21, 2023 6:00 pm  
+Debria Davitz

Saturday January 28, 2023, 6:00 pm  
+ Lloyd, John, Joeseoph Siegfried

Liturgical Ministers for next week

For January 28, 2023, 6:00 pm  
Altar Servers: L. Drake & W. Biermann  
Eucharistic Minister: G. Valleroy  
Lector: M. Stumpe  
Usher: M. Valleroy & S. Quandt

St. Mary's Offering

Thank you for your support

Contribution January 15, 2023  
Envelopes (16) \$460.00  
Loose \$ 182.00  
Total \$642.00  
Food Pantry \$205.00

Chester Area Food Pantry Items Needed

Canned Spaghetti-crackers-mustard-ketchup-  
Canned meats-canned fruit



This Week

Isaiah 8:23-9:3  
Psalm 27: 1, 4, 13-14  
1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17  
Gospel Matthew 4: 12-23

Next Week

Zephaniah 2: 3; 3: 12-13  
Psalm 146: 6-7, 8-9, 9-10  
1 Corinthians 1: 26-31  
Gospel Matthew 5: 1-12a

Please submit items for the bulletin by Tuesday  
5:00pm 618-920-7324, if no answer, please leave  
a message, Thank You, Deacon Al

Events for St. Mary'

January 24, 2023 Parish Council 6:00 pm

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*Please remember those of our families and friends  
who have asked for our prayers.*

Diane Averbeck, Debbie Brown, David Dohack  
Geraldyn Lanham, JuneMaxwell, Randy Valleroy  
Glenda York, JoAnn Montroy, Chris Modglin  
Nic Wuller, Dave Colvis, Lou Ann Korando  
Jeffery Davis, MaryAnnStumpe Bud Stumpe,  
ChristieModglin, Mark Drake, Jeff Faverty  
Roy Lee Seymour, Roger Faverty

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*Our Parish Members in Care centers*  
Wilma Junger,

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Religious Education: Tammy Bert,  
A. Antonacci – Brenda Gross

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Altar Sodality: Joan Derringer  
Holy Name Society: Tony Meyer

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To Rent Sense Hall: please contact Tammy Bert  
774-2415

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

If any members of our parish family are  
feeling the (so call financial pinch) and are  
having difficulty paying for their  
prescriptions please let Fr. Sabastian or  
Deacon Al know, we will be able to help.  
This will be (TOTALLY CONFIDENTIAL)  
if you know of any members who are unable  
to attend Mass we would also like to be  
informed so we can send them our weekly  
bulletin. And please remember to mail in  
your weekly contributions it is much  
appreciated.

January 22, 2023

Third Sunday Ordinary Time A



St. Mary Divine Maternity  
7362 Shawneetown Trail  
Ellis Grove, IL 62241

Pastor

Rev. Sebastian Ukoh C.M.

St. Mary's -Ellis Grove - 618-859-3541

St. Joseph -Rocher 618-284-3314

St. Mary's, Chester – 618-826-2444

Weekend Mass Schedule

St. Mary Chester  
Saturday, Vigil 4:00 pm  
Sunday, 10:00am

St. Mary's Ellis Grove  
Saturday 6:00pm Odd Month's  
Sunday 8:00 am Even Month's

St. Joseph Rocher  
Saturday, 6:00pm Even Months  
Sunday 8:00am Odd Month's

Reconciliation: 15 min. prior  
For all Masses

Trustees: Bernard Colvis & Ann Petrowske

Parish Council: Pres. Tammy Bert,  
Sec. Joyce Hrabusicky, Chris Gross  
Maxine Mathis, Scott Gross, Shane Quandt  
Larry Mitchell, Jeremy Blechle

Sacrament Preparation Contact:

St. Mary's Ellis Grove – 618-859-3541

St. Mary's Chester, 618-826-2444

St. Joseph Rocher 618-284-3314

For the Following

For Baptism. For the Sacrament of  
Marriage: Please contact the parish office at  
least 6 Months prior to the intended date so  
that the required preparations can be  
completed. And for the sacrament of the  
sick, whenever necessary. We welcome all  
guests and those wishing to become a  
member of our Parish Family, Please  
contact St. Mary Ellis Grove – St. Joseph  
Rocher – St. Mary's Chester, Also, you may  
contact the Parish Office's for information  
on The Rite of Christian Initiation



Come follow me, and I will make you fishers  
of men.



Neighboring Churches Mass Times

St. Mary's, Chester 4:00 pm Saturday  
10:00 am Sunday  
St. John's, Red Bud 4:00 pm. Saturday  
10:00 am Sunday  
Lady of Lourdes, Sparta 5:30pm Sat.  
8:00 am Sunday  
St. Patrick's, Ruma 8:00 a.m. Sunday  
St. Pius V, Walsh, 4:00 pm Saturday  
St. Boniface, Evansville, 10:00am Sunday

**A Prayer for Peace**

Especially for our  
Brothers Sisters of Ukraine, Nigeria and  
around the world.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
You are the true King of peace.  
In You alone is found freedom.  
Please free our world from conflict  
Bring unity to troubled nations.  
Let Your glorious peace reign in every  
heart.  
Dispel all darkness and evil.  
Protect the dignity of every human life.  
Replace hatred with Your love.  
Give wisdom to world leaders.  
Free them from selfish ambition.  
Eliminate all violence and war.  
Glorious Virgin Mary,  
Saint Michael the Archangel,  
Every angel and saint:  
Please pray for peace.  
Pray for unity amongst nations.  
Pray for unity amongst all people.  
Pray for the most vulnerable.  
Pray for those suffering.  
Pray for the fearful.  
Pray for those most in need.  
Pray for us all.  
Jesus, Son of the Living God.  
Have mercy on us.  
Jesus, hear our prayers.  
Jesus, I trust in You! Amen



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP**

January 22, 2023

Knights of Columbus Free Throw  
Championship – from Chester,  
Evansville, and Red Bud are hosting a  
Free Throw Championship on January  
22, 2023 – 1:00pm. The doors will be  
open at 12:30 PM AT St. Boniface gym  
in Evansville. Boys and Girls age 9 to 14  
may take part. Each student will receive  
a T-Shirt. For more information call  
Howard Gallois at 618-708-0780



**FISH FRY & MEAT RAFFLE**

January 27, 2023

Knights of Columbus Hall  
Evansville, IL

Serving 4:00pm to 8:00pm –Raffle – 5:00pm  
4 kinds of fish – slaw-fries- baked beans  
Mac & Cheese and K.C. wonderful chips  
great food, great Fellowship come have a  
great time.



**HEY EVERYBODY  
FAT SATURDAY IS BACK  
FEBRUARY 18, 2023 – 3:30 to 8:00pm**



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH  
7362 Shawneetown Trail, Ellis Grove

**ALL YOU CAN EAT CHICKEN & FISH  
WITH FOUR SIDES DESSERT  
DRINKS INCLUDED**

ADULTS \$15.00  
CHILDREN UNDER 6 YEARS FREE  
6 YEARS AND OLDER \$10.00

MASS WILL BE 3:00 PM  
THIS COVERS YOUR SUNDAY  
OBLIGATION

Sponsored by  
St. Mary's Holy Name Society



Are ready to be picked in the back of  
church on the book case as you go to the  
church hall



Society of St. Vincent De Paul Night-time  
Drop Center capacity almost every night,  
helping the homeless men, women and  
children survive freezing temperatures and  
the dangers of the city streets. We humbly  
ask for your prayers for the Center and its  
clients and, if you are able, to help us  
provide sack lunch items (individually  
packaged) for their clients.  
Cookies, fruit cups, tuna and chicken snack  
packs, yogurt, cereal, pop tarts, breakfast  
bars soup or pasta in a cup, bottled water.  
Items can be dropped off at the SVDP office,  
13 Vieux Carre Drive, (Loisel Village\_Route  
157 across from Sav-A-Lot or at the SVDP  
Help Center 3718 State Street, East St.  
Louis.

For additional information contact: Joe  
Hubbard, (394-0126), or Pat Hogrebe,  
(618) (799-8505).

Thank You and God bless you for your  
generosity which enables our ministry to  
serve truly the poorest among us.



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**CATHOLIC RADIO WMSH 90.3 FM**

Listening to Catholic radio in your car or at home will help smooth out rough edges in your day and keep you on the right path. Pray the Rosary, Listen to the word of God and pray along with the celebration of the Mass. In addition programming includes live call-in shows, local programming and much more download the free Covenant Network App or App or listen on Our Catholic Radio.co along with the celebration of the Mass. In addition programming includes live call-in.

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**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Gracious God,  
You have called us through Baptism to discipleship, believing in your Son, Jesus Christ,  
who has sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to the world.  
We pray to you, asking that you grant us more priests, deacons and religious who will help us build up your Church in the Diocese of Belleville and the world. Stir up the grace

of a religious vocation in the hearts of many of our youth.  
Grant to them the willingness and generosity to give of themselves in service to our Lord Jesus and his people. May a new generation of priests, deacons, sisters and brothers be a sign of your presence among us. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. AMEN

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Society of St. Vincent De Paul Overnight Center

**Needs Your Help**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul OverNite Center operates at full capacity almost every night, helping homeless men, women and children survive freezing temperatures and dangers of the city streets. We humbly ask for your prayers for the Center and its clients and, if you are able, to help us provide sack lunch items (individually packaged) for them:

cookies fruit cups tuna and chicken snack packs chips crackers cheese sticks yogurt

cereal instant oatmeal Pop Tarts breakfast bars soup or pasta in a cup bottled water

Items can be dropped off at:  
St. Vincent de Paul Council Office  
8800 West Main Street, Belleville, Illinois 62223 (across from Blessed Sacrament Church)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.  
Or SVDP Thrift Store/Soup Kitchen  
3718 State Street, East St. Louis  
Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.;  
Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12 Noon  
For additional information contact Joe Hubbard, 618-394-0126, or Pat Hogrebe, 618-799-8505. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity which enables SVDP's ministry to the poor.



**REAL TIME WITH BISHOP McGOVERN**

Join with the Diocese of Belleville's Bishop Michael McGovern to navigate through topics of Faith, Catholicism, Current Events, and more on The Real Time with Bishop McGovern Podcast. This Podcast is for everyone, whether you are new to your faith, reconnecting to your faith, or finding a new way to maintain your faith. Experience words of guidance, prayer, and scripture throughout each episode. Subscribe to hear when each new episode is released. Stay connected to our host, Bishop McGovern, by following him on Instagram (@ bishopmichaelmcgovern) Facebook and Youtube.

**Society of St. Vincent De Paul Night-time Drop** capacity almost every night, helping the homeless men, women and children survive freezing temperatures and the dangers of the city streets. We humbly ask for your prayers for the Center and its clients and, if you are able, to help us provide sack lunch items (**individually packaged**) for their clients.  
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**St. Vincent de Paul Need Paper Goods**  
The Society de St. Vincent de Paul have a Tremendous need for paper products: Styrofoam plates & soup bowls – Styrofoam or paper cups (8 – ounce) – paper napkins These items are used in serving our area's poor at Cosgrove' Soup Kitchen and the SVDP Night-Time Drop-In Center

**Donations can be dropped off at:**  
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any day of the week but not on Wednesday, 9:00 am – 2:30 pm. Or St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store/Soup Kitchen 3718 State Street,

**LIVING THE GOSPEL OF LIFE**

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**In their statement, *Living the 18 of Life*, the Bishops of the United States said:**

**"Opposition to abortion and euthanasia does not excuse indifference to those who suffer from poverty, violence and injustice. Any politics of human life must work to resist the violence of war and the scandal of capital punishment. Any politics of human dignity must seriously address issues of racism, poverty, hunger, employment, education, housing, and health care. Therefore, ife. But being 'right' in such matters can never excuse a wrong choice regarding direct attacks on innocent human life**