

St. Mary Divine Maternity
Holy Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sunday March 31, 2024, 8:00am
+ Tony Colvis

Sunday April 7, 2024, 8:00am
+ Mary Ann Stumpe

Liturgical Ministers for next week

For April 7, 2024, 8:00am Sunday
Altar Servers: P. Seymour
E. Minister: C. Gross & J. Hrabusicky
Lector: A. Antonacci
Usher: M. Valleroy & S. Quandt

St. Mary's Offering

Thank you for your support

Contribution March 23, 2024,
Envelopes (15) \$360.00
Loose \$ 285.00 – Donation for Hall \$100.00
Total \$745.00

Chester Food Pantry Food Needed
Canned Vegetables-Meats-Fruit- Peanut Butter
Monetary Donations are always needed



This Week

Acts 10: 34a, 37-43
Psalm 118: 1-2,16-17, 22-23
Colossians 3: 1-4 & Sequence
John 20: 1-9

Next Week

Acts 4: 32-35
Psalm 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24
1 John 5: 1-6
John 20: 19-31

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?

April 7, 2024 1st Communion 8:00am
April 9, 2024 Holy Name Mtg. 7:00pm
April 10, 2024 PSR Class 6:00 to 7:30pm
April 18, 2024 Confirmation Chester 7:00pm
April 21, 2024 Food Pantry Collection
April 24, 2024 PSR Class 6:00 to 7:30pm
April 28, 2024 Coffee & Donuts after Mass

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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, Nic Wuller, Renee Beare
Jeffery Davis, Roger Faverty Bud Stumpe,
Mark Drake, Bert & Alice Bridges
Roy Lee Seymour, Ronda Heck, Ryan Junger
Ann Hasemeyer, Jeff Faverty, Kevin Petrowske
Tony Beussink, Bradley Tooley, Brad Colvis
Alvin & Darlene Robert, Ruth Ann Thompson

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Our Parish Members in Care centers
Wilma Junger, Ann Hasemeyer

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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
618-774-2415

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

March 31, 2024

Alleluia-Easter Sunday-Alleluia (B)



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**



*Christ
Risen!*



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

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



The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal
Serve the Lord with gladness

Psalm 100



Easter Blessings

We pray that God may bless you and your loved ones with the peace, the hope and the love that the Lord gave to us all through the resurrection of Jesus.

Bishop Michael McGovern

And the

Ministries and Agencies Funded by
The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Our Goal is \$3,492 – so far we have \$1,515.00



Kings House at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows: Friday, April 19 @ 4PM through Sunday, April 21 @ 2PM ~ Our couples retreat allows you to experience our "I Want to See You" silent retreat while encompassing your togetherness as a couple. This retreat centers on the story of the man born blind. Come and share the experience of being noticed by Jesus, touched, healed and called to witness to the new sight God's love provides. \$400 per couple (includes lodging and meals). Call 618 -397 -0584 to register.

**Kings House Retreats at the Shrine:
Woman's Retreat**

"I Want to See You" Women's Retreat ~ Weekends in March & April; Friday at 4pm through Sunday at 2pm.; \$200/person includes lodging and meals. This retreat centers on the story of a man born blind. Call 618 -397 -0584 with questions or to register



Chicken Fry: The KC Hall and St. Mary's School will be hosting a Chicken Fry on Friday, April 5th from 5:00PM - 7:00PM. Dine -In or Carry -Out; Call 618 -826 -3316.



St. James CCW : Born in the USA (A Noon Luncheon Experience) Thursday, April 11, 405 W. Madison, Millstadt. \$15 per person; 12 -2:30PM; doors open at 10AM; pulled pork, sides & desserts; quilt/cash raffle, bingo, attendance prizes and more. Paid RSVP's are required in advance. Call Jane Kuester at 618 476 -1395.



Chester Senior Center : Registration is required. A Matter of Balance ~ Tuesdays, April 9 -May 28 from 1:30 -3:30PM. Take steps to reduce your fear of falling. Admission is free for the 8 classes. Call 618 - 826 -5108.



MINISTRY NEEDS

We continue to be in need of more volunteers for ministry roles during Mass. We are in need of more adults for the ministry of Lectors, and extraordinary minister. We also need more volunteers for altar server's boys and girls, 3rd grade and above including high school age. We are very short handed and the more volunteers we have, will lessen the burden on everyone. For more information please call Gerri Valleroy 618-859-3541. Leave your message and Gerri will return your call.



The Cupboards Are Bare –
-Society of St. Vincent De Paul
Needs Your Help!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council reports record numbers of people staying at its OverNite Center and 300+ people per day coming for meals at Cosgrove's Kitchen. With these increased numbers, there is an urgent need for food. We humbly ask for your prayers for SVDP and its clients and, if you are able, your donation of food (all kinds) that will be cooked and served at the soup kitchen and/or individually packaged food items (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) to distribute at the Overnight Center. 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.

