

St. Mary Divine Maternity
Holy Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday March 15, 2025 – 6:00pm
+Helen & Bernard Korando

Saturday, March 22, 2025 – 6:00pm
+Harlen & Rose Wesbecher

Liturgical Ministers for next week

For March 22, 2025, 6:00pm

Altar Server: L. Drake

Lector: J. Hrabusicky

Gifts: Volunteers

E. Minister: G. Valleroy & J. Derringer

Usher: M. Valleroy & S. Quandt

St. Mary's Offering

Thank you for your support.

Contribution March 8, 2025

Envelopes (14) \$545.00

Loose \$460.00 – Black & Indian Mission \$5.00

Total \$1, 010,00



This Week

Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18

Psalms 27: 7-8, 8-9, 13-14

Philippians 3: 17-4: 1 (or 3: 20 – 4: 1)

Luke 4: 1-13

Next Week

Exodus 3: 1-8a, 13-15

Psalms 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11

1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12

Luke 13: 1-9

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

March 15, 2025, Food Pantry Collection

March 19, 2025, PSR Class 6:00pm to 7:30

Stations of the Cross PSR 6:00pm

Stations at Chester Saturdays 3:15pm

April 1, 2025, Parish Council Mtg. 6:00pm

April 2, 2025, PSR class 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Stations of the Cross 6:00pm

April 8, 2025, Holy Name Mtg. 7:00pm

April 16, 2025, PSR Class 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Station of the cross PSR

April 27, 2025, Food Pantry Collection

April 30, 2025, PSR Class 6:00pm to 7:30pm

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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, June Maxwell, Randy Valleroy
Glenda York, Nic Wuller, Jacobo Ramirez
Jeffery Davis, Mark Drake, Robin Waltemate
Ryan Junger, Ronda Heck, Kevin Petrowske
Jeff Faverty Shirley Dreczka Matt Vallett
Bradley Tooley, Bud Stumpe, Paul Meyer
Donna Schwizer, Jackie Coffey

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Our Parish Members in Care centers
Wilma Junger, Bud Stumpe

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-called 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 16, 2025
Second Sunday of Lent (C)



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

Pastor
Rev. Sebastian Ukoh C.M

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



**From the shining cloud the Father's voice is
heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him,**



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

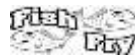


St. Vincent de Paul Needs Coats!

Cold winter weather has definitely arrived and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul desperately needs coats to distribute to those in need. Gently used or new coats of all types in all sizes for all ages – toddlers, children, teens and adults (men and women) are being requested. Items can be dropped off at St. Vincent de Paul office located at 8800 West Main Street, Belleville, across from Blessed Sacrament Church, or call Joe Hubbard or Pat Hogrebe at 618-394-0126 for additional information. Warm your heart by keeping someone warm and donate a coat today! Thank you very much.



To celebrate the Gospel of life means to celebrate the God of life, the God who gives life... In every child which is born and in every person who lives or dies we see the image of God's glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ" (The Gospel of Life 84).



Fish Fry: The KC and St. Mary's school will be hosting Fish Fry's on Friday evenings from 5pm until 7:30pm. \$15.00 for buffet or carry out (618) 826-3316 with regular or Cajun fish and cod squares plus.



VOCATIONS

Kenrick-Glennon Seminary in St. Louis is hosting a Come & See retreat for men in high school interested in learning more about seminary life March 21-23. Retreatants will get to experience what life in seminary is like by hearing talks from seminary formators, praying with the college seminarians, and being a part of the seminary fraternity. More information can be found at <https://www.stlvocations.org/retreat>.

You are invited to a series of sessions on how to do more for Lent aiming to equip us with the tools to understand and practice the pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Sessions will be held on March 16, 23, 30, and April 6 before the 10am Mass on Sunday mornings beginning at 9:00am in the School Cafeteria. Refreshments will provide at starting 8:45am. Enter through the Library door of the School by the playground on Swanwick Street

FIREFIGHTER'S FISH FRY
Friday Nights 4PM to 8PM
February 2025: 28th
March 2025: 7th, 14th, 21st
April 2025: 4th, 11th, 18th
ELLIS GROVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
Ellis Grove, Illinois
DINE-IN OR CARRY-OUT
ALL YOU CAN EAT!!!
Buffalo Fish • Catfish • Cod • Shrimp
Sides: Baked Beans, Chippers, Corn Dogs, Onion Rings, Cole Slaw, Hot Poppers, Potato Salad, Fried Pickles, Chicken Strips
Drinks: Tea, Soda, Bottled Water (limited menu & sold by unit)
\$17 - Adult / \$7 - Children (ages 5 - 12) / Under 5 Eat Free
\$3 OFF MILITARY DISCOUNT
\$1 OFF when you purchase a standard good with the purchase of your meal
Beer Stand
Fish Fry Menu:
Buffalo Fish \$11.99
Catfish \$11.99
Cod \$11.99
Shrimp \$11.99
Pie \$5.99
Fish Sandwiches \$5.99
Bottled Beer \$2.99
Soft Drink \$1.99
For more info call: 618-625-7065



March 30, 2025 – Chester PSR only 9:15 to 9:45am
March 31, 2025 – St. John's Red Bud – 7:00pm
April 1, 2025 – Our Lady of Lourds - Sparta 7:00pm



April 6, 2025

Bishop McGovern at St. Mary's Chester
Mass 10:00am – Adoration & Reconciliation 2:00pm
Benediction 4:00pm – Hispanic Mass – 5:00pm

April 13, 2025, Palm Sunday – Mass 8:00am



April 17, 2025 – HOLY THURSDAY



Ellis Grove

Soup Supper – 5:30 to 6:30 pm – Mass 7:00pm
VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HAVE THEIR FEET WASHED
Please call Ann Petrowske – 618-615-2413
or Maxine Mathis – 618-615-5529

April 18, 2025 – GOOD FRIDAY



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Joseph PDR Live Stations – 7:00pm

April 19, 2025 – HOLY SATURDAY - EASTER VIGIL



St. Mary's Chester – 7:00pm



April 20, 2025 – EASTER SUNDAY – ALLELUIA

Mass – St. Mary's Ellis Grove – 8:00am
Mass – St. Mary's Chester – 10:00am

