St. Mary Divine Maternity
Holy Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sunday Oct. 25, 2026, 8:00am
+ Tony Colvis

Sunday Nov 1, 2026, 8:00am
+ Logan & Elizabeth Roche

Liturgical Ministers for next week

Nov. 1, 2026, 8:00am
Altar Server: W. Biermann
Lector: C. Gross
Gifts: Volunteers
E. Minister: G. Bleem & J. Hrabusicky
Usher: Scott Gross & Clinton Gross

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St. Mary's Offering

Thank you for your support.

Contribution Oct.18, 2026
Envelopes (13) $ 3,920.00
Loose $385.000– World Mission (3) $25.00
Total $4, 330.00 Food Pantry $306.00

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This Week
Exodus 22: 20-26
Psalms 18: 2-3, 3-4, 47, 51
1 Thessalonians1: 5c-10
Matthew 22: 34-40

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Next Week – All Saints Day
Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-14
Psalms 4: 1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6
1 John 3: 1-3
Matthew 5: 1-12a

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Please submit items for the bulletin by Tuesday at 5:00pm my phone number is 618-920-7324. If there is no answer, please leave a message. Thank you, Deacon Al

Events for St. Mary

Oct.25, 2026 Coffee & Donuts after Mass
Nov. 1, 2026, Mass will be for this Sun. only at 8:00am Rest of the Month will be on Sat. 6:00pm
Nov. 4, 2026, PSR Class 6:00 to 7:30pm
Nov. 10, 2026, Holy Name Mtg. 7:00pm
Nov. 18, 2026, PSR Class 6:00 to 7:30 pm
Nov. 25, 2026, Thanksgiving Eve. Mass 6:00pm Blessing and distribution of Bread

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

Diane Averbeck, Debbie Brown, Glenda York, Randy Valleroy, Jeffery Davis, Mark Drake, Robin Waltemate, Ronda Heck, Paul Meyer Shirley Dreczka, Lisa Hall, Jeff Faverty Matt Vallett, Bud Stumpe, Geralyn Lanham, Amber Cushman, Carolyn Loesing, Allison Petrowske, Roy Schlueter, Kevin Petrowske, Lane Bert. Justin Fausz Eleanor Miller,

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Our Parish Members in Care centers
Wilma Junger, Bud Stumpe

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Religious Education, PSR
Tammy Bert, A. Antonacci, Maxine Mathis Diane Antonacci

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Ladies Altar Sodality: Joan Derringer
Holy Name Society: Tony Meyer

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To Rent Sense Hall: please contact Tammy Bert 618-774-2415

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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 that 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.

October 25, 2026
Thirtieth Sunday- Ordinary Time (A)

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

Pastor
Very Rev. Father 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, Scott Gross Maxine Mathis, Chris Gross, Brenda Montroy, 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

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbor as yourself.

Neighboring Churches Mass Times

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

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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

Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Positive interactions with our brothers and sisters in need honor God, reflect love and foster a cycle of goodness which is so desperately needed in our world today. Join us in our mission to serve those in need here in our Belleville Diocese. Please consider making a gift to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. Thank you for your consideration and support." -Most Rev. Godfrey Mullen, OSB

Visit your Belleville Diocese's website at www.diobelle.org and click on "Giving". It's that simple! Every donation – large or small – is needed to continue our diocesan ministry to those in need. We are counting on YOU. Please visit www.diobelle.org today! The goal for St. Mary Divine Maternity is The goal for St. Mary Divine Maternity is $3,583.00, so far, we have received $2, 525.00

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PRAYER REQUEST It is time to update our prayer list please review and let me know if it is ok to take a name off the prayer list.

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The Diocese of Belleville and the Cathedral of Saint Peter cordially invite you to attend: Eternal Light Concert…Music of Remembrance and Hope Featuring the Requiem of Gabriel Fauré Sunday, November 1, 2026, 2:00 p.m. Cathedral of Saint Peter 200 West Harrison Street, Belleville

Free Admission

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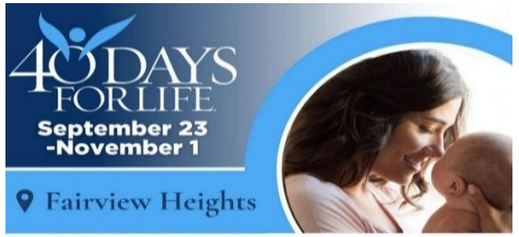
Vocations

October 25th Next Sunday, November 1st, starts National Vocation Awareness Week, an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and renewed prayers and support for those who are considering one of these vocations. Suggest to our youth to consider a call from the Lord to serve the Church and pray every day this week for an increase in vocations.



Location: Outside Planned Parenthood
(317 Salem Place, Fairview Heights, IL 62208)
Hours: 7 am to 7 pm daily
Contact: fvh40days@yahoo.com

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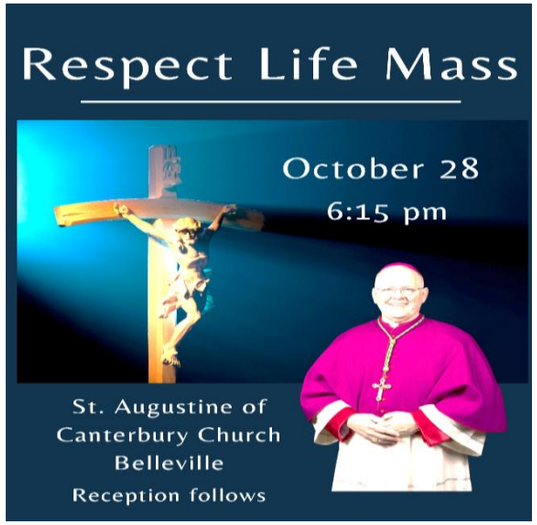

CHESTER AREA CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY, INC.
NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2026

ITEMS NEEDED
Diapers: Size 3, 4, 5; Pull Ups – all sizes, Baby Wipes, Kids snack and drink items, and egg cartons.
Monetary donations are always welcome.
HOUSEHOLDS/PERSONS SERVED at

the Pantry in SEPTEMBER
226 households, 638 individuals
which includes 227 children

HOUSEHOLDS/PERSONS SERVED at

the Mobile Market in SEPTEMBER
108 households, 279 individuals
which includes 89 children

NEXT MOBILE MARKET
Will be on OCTOBER 28, 2026.
Volunteers are always needed to speed up the distribution!
Please call Bob at 618-615-2646 to help with the distribution of food.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE PANTRY!
Your giving has touched someone's life….