

St. Mary Catholic Church

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April 21, 2004 Fourth Sunday of Easter



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5 PM
Sunday 8 AM St. Mary
10 AM St. Joseph
Tuesday & Thursday 8:15 AM
Reconciliation Saturday 4-4:45 PM
Or by Appointment

STEWARDSHIP REPORT April 14, 2024

General Collection: \$4020 Flower Fund: \$39

CSMA: Pledged: \$6027.50 Received: \$3509.50 Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$10,984.00. We have reached 55% of our

PARISH INFORMATION

Faith Formation: Rhonda Schmidt rschmidt@stmaryparish.info Weddings and Funerals: Mary Beth

Life)

Tony Ulrich (Buildings & Grounds)

Music Director: Rachel Kell Parish Life Coordinator: Susan Belcher Parish Secretary: Ellen Quertermous stmaryparish.anna@gmail.com

Contact information will be provided soon.

Please submit bulletin items to the church office no later than Thursday morning. Please submit items for the Parish calendar no later than the Thursday

before the last Sunday of the month.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

April 21 is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please see the insert in today's bulletin. The growth and vitality of the Catholic Church, now, and in the future, depends on the willingness of young people to respond to God's call to serve in the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life. It also depends on the willingness of Catholics to nurture and support these individuals and the institutions that prepare them to fulfill their callings.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Closely related to the appeal for Vocations is the work of Catholic Home Missions. Our Diocese of Belleville is a Mission Diocese based on our dispersed rural population, areas of poverty, and shortage of priests. The Diocese of Belleville receives generous grant funding from the Home Missions Appeal, and these grants support our seminarians and our Vocations office, Youth Ministry, the Newman Center, Hispanic Minstry, the Permanent Diaconate, and the Offices of Faith Formation and Worship. We will be receiving the collection for the Home Missions Appeal on **April 28.** Please see the insert in today's bulletin and consider how you can support this vital appeal.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The adult education class will resume **April 21** after Sunday Mass. We will begin a new series by Ascension Press titled "Epic - The Early Church."

All are welcome!!!



Thanks to all who participated in the Parish-wide townhall meeting!! Yummy biscuits and gravy were enjoyed, and great conversations were had. If you were unable to attend, there is still time to have your voice heard. At the entrance of the Church is a form titled "Prioritization of Needs". Please take one, and rank each item 1, 2, 3, 4, etc. Then return the form to a Parish Council member or place it in the offering basket.



Today we acknowledge the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We implore our Blessed Mother to intercede for us, asking the Lord to grant us more men and women who answer the call to a religious vocation. To quote Pope Francis, "Each one of us is called -- whether to the lay life in marriage, to the priestly life in ordained ministry, or to a life of special consecration -- in order to become a witness of the Lord, here and now."

HONORING OUR GRADUATES

We will be celebrating our 2024 graduates at 8 AM Mass on Sunday, April 28 at St. Mary. Breakfast will be served for graduates and their families in the Parish Hall following the Mass. There will be NO PSR classes on this date. Our youth will be participating in the ministries of this Mass.

PARENTS: Photos and information on your graduates must be submitted to the church office by **April 25** to be included in the bulletin insert! stmaryparish.anna@gmail.com

COMING UP

ANNUAL FARM BLESSING April 26 beginning at 1PM, Bishop McGovern, presiding. Braeutigam Orchards 2795 Turkey Hill Lane Belleville IL. Feel free to bring farm animals, equipment, or produce (in sealed containers) to be blessed. Non-perishable items for the local food pantry are welcome.

BIBLES & BREWS YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Monday April 29, 6:30 - 9 PM Peach Barn Winery 560 Chestnut St. Alto Pass with Father Joel Sipe. Contact sarahkosuszek@yahoo.com for more information **ANNUAL PRO-LIFE DINNER** May 1 5:30 at the Newman Center, 715 S. Washington St. Carbondale. \$20 donation. RSVP by April 29 (618)521-7488 or (618)529-

3311.

BLOOD DRIVE St. Mary Parish Hall June 5, 12-5 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Celebrate the Savior at St. Mary, July 22-26 Teachers and helpers are needed! Contact Rhonda Schmidt rschmidt@hotmail.com (618)697-0440

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 20: Henry Klages Sunday April 21: Jim Goddard Saturday April 27: Larry Lovell Sunday April 28: Diana Perry





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WORD OF LIFE

"Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive to be an intolerable situation, and they inaccurately believe that suicide is their only way out. The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?'"

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Every Suicide is Tragic" usccb.org/every-suicide-tragic

Suicide and Crisis Hotline: dial 988

intercession:

For those tempted to end their lives: That through the grace of the Resurrection, Christ will fill them with hope, belief in his love, and the assurance that their lives are worth living;

We pray to the Lord

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY APRIL 20: **Lector:** Susan Hoyle

Eucharistic Ministers: Paul Cairatti, Amy Ulrich, Joe Wendling

SUNDAY APRIL 21: **Lector:** Jim Poletti

Servers: Luke & Sophia Vaughn

Eucharistic Ministers: Ellen Quertermous, Mary Ellen Ecker,

Jordan Jansen
SATURDAY APRIL 27: **Lector:** Jackie Beatty

Eucharistic Ministers: Susan Hoyle, Paul Cairatti, Joe Wendling

SATURDAY APRIL 28: (GRADUATION MASS)

Lector: Cole Kaufman

Servers: Liam Hale & Nick Hannan

Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Poletti, Ellen Quertermous, Jackie

Beatty