

Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



17th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." - Lk 11:9

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July 27th, 2025

Saturday, August 2nd, 5:15 pm

Reader: Christina Koch

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Suzanne Walter

Servers: Eleanor & Declan Jelinek,
Sofia Mata & Mark Olson

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Kevin Jelinek Family **Scrp:** Judy Murphy

Sunday, August 3rd, 8:00 am

Reader: Mark Jelinek

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Carter Jelinek, Blake Parker,
Luke & Nicholas Perna

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Brian Parker Family **Scrp:** Fran Wilkinson

Sunday, August 3rd, 10:30 am

Reader: Alisa Weiss

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Elijah, Ella, Will & Molly Weiss

Gifts: Brian Weiss Family **Scrp:** Colleen Schroeder

Mass Schedule

Monday, July 28th

No Mass

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Tuesday, July 29th

Mass 8:15 am

St. Martha,

St. Mary & Lazarus

† Carter & Georgia Harrison

Wednesday, July 30th

Mass 8:15 am

St. Peter Chrysologus

Emily Fieldhouse & Jack Taylor SP.I.

Thursday, July 31st

Mass 8:15 am

St. Ignatius of Loyola

Adoration following Mass

† Michael Sheridan

Friday, August 1st

No Mass

First Friday

St. Alphonsus, St. Peter Julian

Saturday, August 2nd

Mass 8:15am

First Saturday

St. Eusebius, St Peter Julian

† Carl P & Margaret S Simon

Confessions 4:30 pm

Mass 5:15 pm

† Janice Bauer

Sunday, August 3rd

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions 7:15 am

Mass 8:00 am

Our Parish Family

Confessions 9:45

Mass 10:30 am

† Ken Auz



**Altar Server for the month of June
is Blake Parker**

Parish Calendar of Events

- 08/02 Saturday...KC Bingo, Comm. Center, 6:30 pm
- 08/04 Monday ... PCCW mtg 6:30 pm
- 08/10 Sunday ... Knights of Columbus mtg 7:00 pm

From your Pastor

As we listen to our Gospel for this weekend, we are given the prayer that is near and dear to so many, the Our Father. I have personally experienced the power of this prayer in many ways, both in my own personal life and in my priestly ministry. It is a prayer that we are invited to pray often, and it is a wonderful practice to do so!

But today, I would like to focus on the part of the Gospel leading up to that moment when Jesus teaches the disciples the Our Father. This prayer was given by Jesus at the prompting of a disciple who asked Jesus to teach him how to pray. In that question, the disciple was moved by the desire to know how to communicate and connect with God more deeply, to which Jesus gladly responded. I bring this up because this is what I have been encountering these past days while I have been away. As I was able to attend the Steubenville youth conference and spend the week at Life Teen camp, I witnessed thousands of young people express and share that same desire with the Lord.

At Steubenville, there was nearly 2000 youth from across the country who arrived hoping to encounter Christ. They were moved by a desire, some on their own volition, others being strongly encouraged, to step outside their comfort zone and open themselves up to Jesus. Entering into the theme of being Consumed by the love of Jesus, nearly all 2000 youth gave up their phones for the weekend and spent time with Christ and with each other. It was a powerful weekend, seeing the joy of these young people praising God in song and prayer. So many left the conference with smiling faces, ready to share what they had experienced and with hearts that were thirsting for more!

And if that wasn't powerful enough, I was able to continue this experience by walking with a few hundred youth at the Life Teen camp in Georgia. Was it hot? Yes, but not unbearable. Over the course of the week, I was able to witness the Lord stir the hearts of the middle school students, participating in Mass, adoration, prayer, and fun activities, all centered around encountering Jesus. The theme for the week was Radiant Hope, corresponding with the Jubilee Year we are celebrating in the Church. The focus looked at the example of Mary, her fidelity, and the virtue of hope in her accepting the promise of God in her life. The youth were invited to allow the radiant love of God to enter into their lives, like Mary, and then as they were sent home, to be beacons of hope back in their parishes and schools. It was tangible to feel the joy and hope that they had as they left.

As for me, as I continue to process these experiences, I am left with a couple of takeaways. The first is that the Church is alive! Not that I was necessarily questioning if it was or not but seeing so many youth on fire with the love of Christ and entering into prayer simply emphasized that there is great hope! Second, I find that hope is contagious. In my supporting role over the last week, I couldn't help but be filled with the same joy and hope that was experienced by the youth. It also led me to realize that I could use more of that in my life, joy and hope. So often it becomes easy to get bogged down in the challenges and difficulties of daily life and we allow the hope and joy of knowing and loving Jesus fade into the background. But it doesn't have to remain that way.

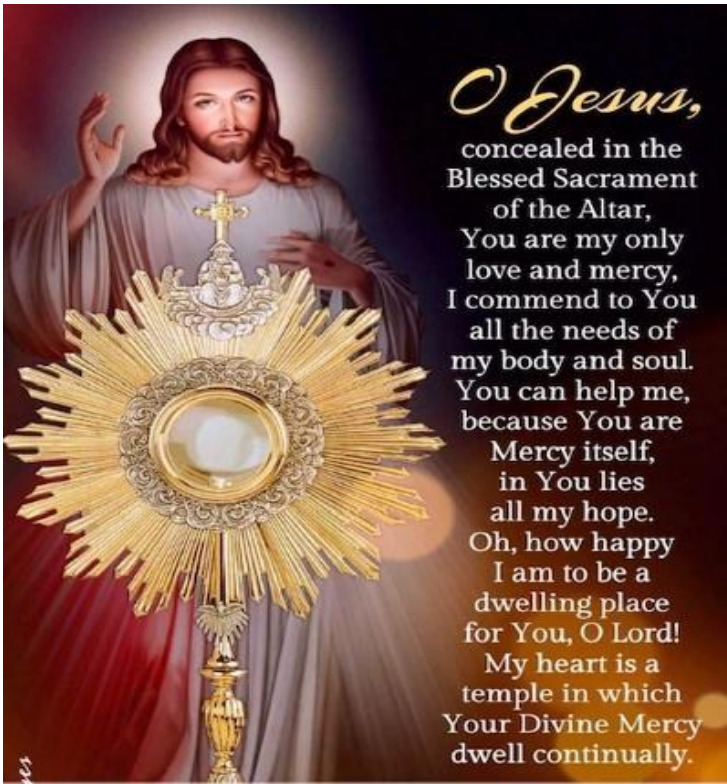
My resolve moving forward is to ask the Lord to increase hope and joy in my life, in, so much to be joyful about, beginning with the fact that we are truly loved by God. I invite you to consider joining me drawn more deeply into God's infinite love.



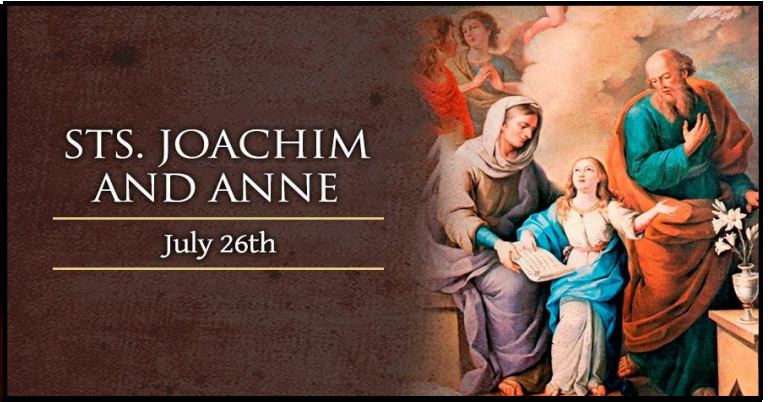
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In Christ through Mary,

Fr Nate Kuhn



O Jesus,
 concealed in the
 Blessed Sacrament
 of the Altar,
 You are my only
 love and mercy,
 I commend to You
 all the needs of
 my body and soul.
 You can help me,
 because You are
 Mercy itself,
 in You lies
 all my hope.
 Oh, how happy
 I am to be a
 dwelling place
 for You, O Lord!
 My heart is a
 temple in which
 Your Divine Mercy
 dwell continually.



**STS. JOACHIM
 AND ANNE**

July 26th

NOVENA PRAYER TO SAINTS ANNE & JOACHIM

Good parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, grandparents of our Savior, Jesus Christ, when life seems barren, help us to trust in God's mercy.
 When we are confused, help us to find the way to God.
 When we are lost in the desert, lead us to those whom God has called us to love.
 When our marriage seems lifeless, show us the eternal youth of the Lord.
 When we are selfish, teach us to cling only to that which lasts.
 When we are afraid, help us to trust in God.
 When we are ashamed, remind us that we are God's children.
 When we sin, lead us to do God's will.
 You who know God's will for husband and wife, help us to live chastely.
 You who know God's will for the family, keep all families close to you.
 You who suffered without children, intercede for all infertile couples.
 You who trusted in God's will, help us to respect God's gift of fertility.
 You who gave birth to the Blessed Mother, inspire couples to be co-creators with God.
 You who taught the Mother of God, teach us to nurture children in holy instruction.
 You whose hearts trusted in God, hear our prayers for . . .
 (state your request).
 Pray with us for the ministry of Catholic family life. Pray with us for the ministry of Natural Family Planning. Pray with us for all who give their time, talent, and treasure to this good work.
 Hail Mary . . . Our Father . . . Glory be . . .
 God of our fathers, you gave Saints Anne and Joachim the privilege of being the parents of Mary, the mother of your incarnate Son. May their prayers help us to attain the salvation you have promised to your people. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.



St Mary's School

Has the following position open
 for 4th Grade Teacher

Also 2 days a week Spanish Teacher
 (Bachelor Degree required)

If you or someone you know would like to work in a Catholic School with a faith filled family environment along with a wonderful support system,
 for more information,
 please contact Stacia Kohlstedt at 608-647-2422
 Stacia.kohlstedt@stmarysrc.com

Our Mission: Our Catholic Faith is the foundation and tradition of providing a quality, virtue-based education in a Christ centered environment focused on excellence in academics, worship and service.

Scrip News !

The Scrip word for the week is VACATION.

Purchase gas and restaurant cards before you leave town. Mobil, and Kwik Trip gas cards are available in our "to-go" box, as well as cards for McDonalds, Subway, Culver's, Dunkin, Pizza Hut, and Papa Murphys. These cards can be used at any location. Buy a supply to use wherever you go! It saves carrying cash or using your credit card. Check out the RaiseRight app for over 400 "on-the-go" brands. The Scrip-to-go box is located in the rectory during the week. Call ahead.
order from your scrip coordinator atscrip@stmarysrc.com or get Scrip-to-go cards at the rectory this summer.
The Rectory (647-2621)

Freedom consists not
 in doing what we like,
 but in having the
 right to do what
 we ought.

John Paul II



New Rectory Office Hours

Monday—Office Closed

Tuesday- 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Wednesday - 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Thursday - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Friday –9:00 am to 5:00 pm

If there is an emergency, Leave a message on the Rectory phone and your call will be returned.

Readings for the week of July 27, 2025

- Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/
Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13
- Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/
Mt 13:31-35
- Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11,
12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46
- Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a,
11/Mt 13:47-53
- Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6,
10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12
- Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14,
17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

based on a true saint
the boy from milan
Stories of Carlo Acutis



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4. Find St Mary's by zip
5. Enter your email, done!

Thrift Store

St Mary's is one of the churches that are part of Church Women United.

This group started the Thrift Store.

St Mary's is in need of a few more volunteers.

This is something that you can do to give back to the Richland community.

You would be bagging and checking out customers.

Shifts are W-T-F 4 hours 9-1 or 1-5,

Saturday 10-1 and 1-4.

We ask you for 3 to 4 hours every other month.

If you think this is something you might be interested in please call 608-647-3594 with questions.

Thank you for considering.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION every Thursday following Holy Mass

July 19/20, 2025

Adult Tithe.....	\$4,368.00
Offertory.....	626.00
Pastoral Care	12.00
Building & Maintenance.....	30.00
Total.....	\$5,036.00
ACH Tithe, March 2025	\$6,015.00

ConsiderAutomatic Tithing

Your contribution would be on the 15th of every month, distributed however you wish. e.g. tithe, 10.00 to school etc.
No checks to write.... Save time and money !

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Wedding Planning Information

For those seeking the Sacrament of Marriage in our Church please notify the pastor as soon as you are engaged, but **not less than six months** prior to the proposed wedding date.