

Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



21st Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." - Lk 13:24

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Mass Schedule

Monday, August 25th **St. Louis & St. Joseph Calasanz**
No Mass **RECTORY CLOSED**

Tuesday, August 26th
Mass 8:15 am
Staff of St Mary's

Wednesday, August 27th **St. Monica**
Mass 8:15 am
Jonathan Hall SP.I.

Thursday, August 28th **St. Augustine**
Mass 8:15 am **Adoration following Mass**
† Jane Gainor

Friday, August 29th **The Passion of**
Mass 8:15 am **St. John the Baptist**
† Jerry R & Florence Durst

Saturday, August 30th
Confessions 4:30 pm
Mass 5:15 pm
Our Parish Family

Sunday, August 31st **22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Confessions 7:15 am
Mass 8:00 am
† James & Alice Lux

Confessions 9:45
Mass 10:30 am
† Al Walter

August 24th, 2025
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 30th 5:15 pm

Reader: Gretchen Jelinek

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Ethan Kauffman, Rohen Logue
Ronan Ringelstetter, Vessel Rush

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Steven Bauer Family **Scrip:** Suzanne Walter

Sunday, August 31st 8:00 am

Reader: Andy Wright

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Emma & Easton Jelinek,
Colyns Morris, Gage Tennant

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Gregg Schmitt **Scrip:** Christine Schmitt

Sunday, August 31st 10:30 am

Reader: Gloria Joseph

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Ella, Will & Molly Weiss, Giada Johnson

Gifts: Jeffrey Joseph **Scrip:** Mary Jo Nigl

Parish Calendar of Events

08/24 Sunday...Donut Sunday
08/26 Tuesday ... St Mary School Open House 2-6pm
09/02 Tuesday ... Student's First Day of School
09/03 Wednesday...Father & Son Banquet 6:00 pm
09/08 Monday...PCCW Meeting 6:30 pm
09/14 Sun. ... Religious Education First Day 9:10 10:20
09/17 Wed ... Parents Mtg for Confirmation 6:30pm
09/17 " " 1 & 2 yr Confirmation First Class 7:00 8:30 pm



**Don't Forget to Pick up your
FESTIVAL TICKETS!**

From your Pastor

We are quickly approaching the beginning of the school year as this week the teachers are beginning their in-service work. That means the first day of school is the next week, along with the fair. Where did the summer go? But as time moves by, we have many exciting things coming up in the near future.

With school nearly underway, we are preparing for our annual Father-Son Banquet, a great opportunity for all the men, both young and old, of our parish and the surrounding parishes to gather together, to support each other as beloved sons of God, and to enjoy food and fellowship. We encourage everyone who plans to attend to get your tickets early so we can make sure we have enough food for everyone. Tickets will be on sale after the Masses this weekend and next weekend in the back of church. I hope to see you there!

As the school year begins, we also are preparing for the start of our CCD classes. I want to take this opportunity to thank Lindsey Perna for stepping up and taking on the role of CRE as well as all of the teachers who are willing to share their time and faith so that our young people can learn about the great gift of God's love. Registration packets are still available in the back of church if you have not yet been able to pick them up.

We are also gearing up for our annual parish festival. Planning is moving forward and details are beginning to come together. We hope that everyone gets a chance to get tickets, both for yourselves and to sell to your friends and neighbors for our raffle drawings. With some changes this year, we are not sending them out, so your participation is appreciated, both in picking up tickets from church but also taking them to others. We are looking forward to many of the same events, such as the Car Show, entertainment by the Jammers, and many raffles and games for both young and old. Some of you may have been wondering what was going to be done about Msgr. Scheckel's Famous Pulled Pork. The plan is that, while it may not be famous yet, you will get an opportunity to try the debut of Fr. Kuhn's Almost-Famous pulled pork. You will have to be the judge to see if it comes close to what you have had in years past.

Lastly, we look at our Gospel for this week to help keep us grounded amidst our busyness and monotony. What is our purpose? Why are we here? What are we doing all of this for? While I never used it myself, I remember my parents and grandparents talking about the Baltimore Catechism and one of the first questions was, "Why did God make you?" and the answer was very simple and straightforward: "God made me to know Him, love Him, and to serve Him in this world, and to be happy with Him forever in Heaven." The Gospel encourages us to consider this question and our purpose as the disciples ask Jesus who will be saved. And, being that the Baltimore Catechism drew its questions and answers from the Scriptures, the next question was, "What must we do to save our souls?" The answer, similar to the above, is direct and to the point and gives us the answer to respond to our Gospel reading: "To save our souls we must worship God by faith, hope, and charity; that is, we must believe in Him, hope in Him, and love Him with all our heart."

May we strive to serve God each and every day, may all of our plans and works lead us to our eternal goal, as we seek to enter the narrow gate.

May God bless you!

Fr Nate Kuhn



**Don't Forget to Pick up your
FESTIVAL TICKETS!**

**Back to School Packets
can be picked up
At the side
entrance of
church
(door closest
to the rectory)
Also Religious ED Packets**



Father & Son Banquet
September 3rd, 2025, The Phoenix Center
6:00 pm Social, 6:30 pm Dinner
8:00pm Final Blessing
Adults \$15.00 10 & Under \$8.00
Tickets available after Mass or
Parish Office 647-2621
Ed Pulvermacher 647-2450
Gary Peckham 647-6578



Guest Speaker ... Fr Sebastian Kolodziejczyk

**St. Mary HASA
5th Annual Mum Sale**

\$14 per item - 10" Pot
Purple Grass
Mums in the
following colors:
Orange, Pink, Purple,
Red, White & Yellow



Orders due to St.
Mary by August 26th!
Pick up on September
20th at the St. Mary
Parish Festival

Contact Nichole Myers
for questions.
nichole.myers@stmarysrc.com

Parish Festival
Saturday, September 20th
Food, Drinks, Bake Sale , Games
Silent Auction

3rd Annual Car Show

Cash Prizes
1st Place \$5,000.00
24 other Cash Prizes totaling \$6,500.00

Live Music by the "Jammers"

Mass at 4:00 pm



Thank you to everyone who donates food for
our Funeral Lunches!
Perhaps you left a dish?
If you know the owners of these items,
Please let them know.



They can be found in the
Undercroft
Please pick up by
September 7th

Or they may be donated to
the Thrift Shop.

New Items needed for the
Silent Auction and Chinese Raffle
Gift Cards are also welcome!
Items can be dropped off at the Rectory



Kitchen Assistant needed

9:30-1:30 on school days with some flexibility

Duties include assisting with food prep,
serving meals to students and staff, and
kitchen and lunchroom cleanup



Position requires being on feet and able
to lift up to 30 lbs.

Contact Stacia 647-2422

Don't Forget to Pick up your Festival Tickets !
In the Entrance of Church !



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you or anyone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith., and receiving the Sacraments

Call the Rectory to find out more
608-647-2621

Classes will begin in early September

Readings for the week of August 24, 2025

- Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2 (Mk 16:15)/ Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
- Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/ t 23:13-22
- Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/ Mt 23:27-32
- Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 24:42-51
- Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8 (429)/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/ Mk 6:17-29
- Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30
- Next Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 (1a)/ Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14



Altar Server for the month of July is Andrea Ortiz

St Mary's



August 26th, 2:00 to 6:00 pm

Already have a FORMED Account ?

1. Visit FORMED .org
2. Click Sign In
3. Enter your email
4. Click link in email
5. You're in!

Want to create a new FORMED account?

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign-up
3. "I belong to a Parish
4. Find St Mary's by zip
5. Enter your email, done!

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 !

August 15/16,, 2025

Adult Tithe.....	\$4,793.00
Offertory.....	684.00
Bldg & Maint	30.00
Holy Day	63.00
Pastoral Care	10.00
Parish Festival	250.00
Total.....	\$5,830.00
ACH Tithe, August 2025	\$6,015.00
Feast of Assumption	\$576.30

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Knights of Columbus Fr. Mc Kevitt Council #3492

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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.