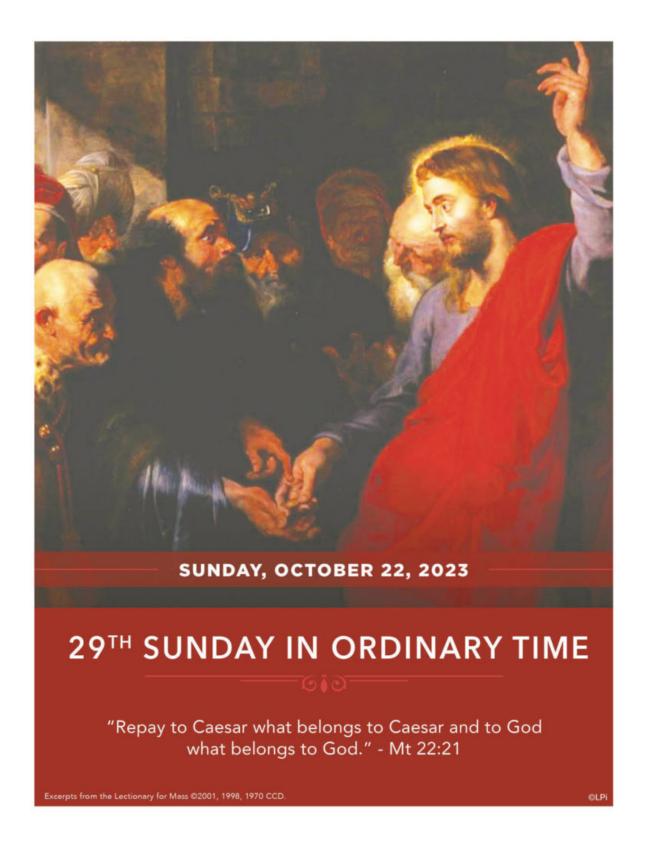
### SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



### THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS IS OFFERED:

**DAILY MASS** 

8:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday, June - August 7:30 a.m. Wednesday from start of school year until May\*

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\*In the event of our school closing for inclement weather. on a Wednesday, Daily Mass will remain at 7:30 a.m. and the School Mass at 8:30 a.m. will be cancelled.

\*SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:00 p.m. \*SUNDAY MASSES

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN - DOOR #3 **OFFICE HOURS:** MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

### PARISH DIRECTORY

Pastor: Fr. Dindo Billote

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Sam Conforti

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Juan Jose Hernandez Salas

Deacon Gary Bednar Deacon Peter Manning Deacon John Rex

Deacon Kevin Plankinton **Deacon Dave Stanton** 

Parish Office:

Parish Secretary, Karen Dilger

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Financial Secretary, Paula Perry

Sacristan, Zina Habib

#### School Office:

School Secretary, Charlotte Catchings School Principal, Michele Alday-Engelman School Assistant Principal, Michelle Huizinga

#### **DEVOTIONS:**

DAILY ROSARY

7:30 a.m.

8:00 a.m. on Wednesdays from the start of the school year until May

7:00 p.m. Wednesday Evenings

DAILY DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET; INFANT JESUS OF

**PRAGUE** 

8:30 a.m.

8:00 a.m. on Wednesdays from the start

of the school year until May

**ADORATION** 

Perpetual Adoration available at Old St. Mary. Please contact the Parish Office for the code.

#### **RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS:**

Saturdays 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the chapel First Saturdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

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RCIA - Interested in becoming Catholic? Please contact the Director of Faith Formation at 708-326-9313.

BAPTISMS - Baptisms are usually scheduled the first and third Sunday of the month at 12:15 p.m. following 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements for the baptismal preparation class.

MARRIAGES - Weddings need to be scheduled at least 6 months in advance upon approval of a priest. Remember to secure the church date before the reception hall. Please stop in the parish office to begin this process.

REGISTRATION - New to St. Mary? Please stop in the parish office to complete our registration form or visit our website at www.stmarymokena.org.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** - Please contact the parish office at 708-326-9300.

## A Note From Our Pastor



Question: What happens to a consecrated host if it accidentally falls to the ground?



Answer: This a very practical question because, as we all know, accidents happen, even during the most careful celebration of the liturgy. The short answer to this question is that nothing happens to the consecrated host. The Real Presence of Jesus remains in the consecrated host or any consecrated wine that might accidentally be spilled.

Another question we might ask is: How should the minsters respond if the Eucharist is dropped or spilled? If this happens, the priest, deacon, or extraordinary minister of holy Communion should immediately pick up the dropped host and consume it. If it is a case of the Precious Blood being spilled, the minister would use the purificator (and additional purificators if needed) to clean the spill and then the area should be reverently washed as soon as the Mass is over and the water poured into the sacrarium (a special sink that is located in church sacristies for reverently disposing of holy water, the water used to clean sacred vessels, etc.).©LPi

Peace and all good things, Father Dindo

### October 28 - October 29: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 9:30 AM	Sunday, 11:00 AM	Sunday, 6:00 PM
Lector	Anne Trovato	Mary Frances Consola Alice Wierzbinski	Richard Hamilton Joe Hartl	Bob Cornejo	James Nowak
Eucharistic Minister	Mary Ann Braasch Karen Gordon John Mitoraj Sue Murphy	Kathleen Orr Marvin Orr Dave Skrzypiec Leslie Skrzypiec	Joe Austin Frank Dundek Joe Hartl Chris McGeever	Nancy Blake Bob Meyers Louise Szura NOT FILLED	Karen Haugh Robert Koch James Nowak
Altar Server	Seamus McGarry Avery McNamara Ava Zahara Grace Zahara	Alexis Ferin Jillian Ferin Daniela Lacny Liam Sullivan	Hazel Dilger June Fulton CJ Strzelczyk Emma Strzelczyk	Stefanie Banner Max Giannakas Nicholas Perkins NOT FILLED	Finn McInemey NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
Usher	Mary Ann Braasch Jim Grady Mark Miron James Palermo	Chris Cichowicz Rich Gavillet Tom Magdziasz Roy Mueller	John Delladio Joanne Eaton Joanette Kulesa Jim Kulesa Diane Mucia	William Farhat David Larson Sandra Tome Gladys Weber	Linda Drake Melissa Rolinitis Mike Rolinitis NOT FILLED
Greeter	NOT FILLED	Denise Mueller	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED
Live Stream			Eugene Satrun		

Serving God as an Altar Server is a wonderful way for a child to grow in faith as well as in responsibility, friendship, and other virtues. At St. Mary, we are blessed with an amazing team of Altar Servers. We thank you for giving up your time to serve the Lord and St. Mary. We also thank our wonderful team of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Greeters for their dedication and outstanding service.

### Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Monday, October 23

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church) 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

1:00 p.m. RE 8th Grade Parent Meeting (Church Hall) 6:00 p.m. RE 8th Grade Parent Meeting (Church Hall)

6:30 p.m. Rosary (Church) 7:00 p.m. Be Formed (Fatima)

#### Tuesday, October 24

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church) 8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 3:30 p.m. Children's Choir (Church) 4:30 p.m. RE Classes K-6th (Classrooms) 6:00 p.m. Finance Council Meeting (Fatima) 6:30 p.m. RE Classes 7th-8th (Classrooms) 6:30 p.m. Bereavement Support (Bishop Room)

7:00 p.m. Scripture Study (Guadalupe) 7:00 p.m. K of C Officer Meeting (Lourdes)

### Wednesday, October 25

5:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)

7:00 a.m. Rosary (Church) 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church) 8:30 a.m. School Mass (Church) 9:00 a.m. Scripture Study (Guadalupe) 9:00 a.m. Mom's Podcast Club (Fatima) 2:00 p.m. Daybreak Cooking (Kitchen) 4:30 p.m. RE Classes 1st-8th(Classrooms) 6:30 p.m. RE Classes 7th-8th (Classrooms)

6:30 p.m. The Search (Guadalupe)

### Thursday, October 26

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church) 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 4:30 p.m. RE Classes 1st-8th (Classrooms)

5:30 p.m. Adult Choir (Church)

7:00 p.m. Women's Welcome Meeting (Fatima)

#### Friday, October 27

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Coffee (Fatima)

### Saturday, October 28

Fall Mission Appeal-Focus Missionaries 7:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

1:00 p.m. Private Baptism (Old St. Mary's)

3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)

5:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

### Sunday, October 29

#### **Fall Mission Appeal-Focus Missionaries Donut Sunday**

8:00 a.m Mass (Church) 9:30 a.m. Mass (Church)

9:30 a.m. RE Classes K-6th (Classrooms)

11:00a.m. Mass (Church)

12:00p.m. Regina Caeli Choir Practice (Church) 3:30 p.m. Missionaries of Apostolic Grace (Fatima)

6:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

### **Divine Mercy In-Home Ministry**

This Apostolate is one of compassion, mercy, and prayer. We are available to be with families and their loved ones, who are sick and dying, to pray the Divine Mercy chaplet with them. For information or if you are interested in joining our ministry, please contact Michelle and Paul Sullivan at 815-995-0480.

"When they say this chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as a just Judge but as a merciful Savior." (Diary of St. Faustina, 1541)



Jesus I Trust in You

The Mokena Marley Fish Outreach is a local, community based "helping hand" available to residents of Frankfort Township in situations of need. The organization is currently seeking donations.

If you would like to contribute. checks should be made out to Mokena-Marley FISH Outreach and dropped off at the Parish Office.

Thank you for your generosity!



"Helping those in Need"

### **Mass Intentions**

Monday, October 23 8:00am: Bob Moore

Tuesday, October 24

8:00am: Peter Pranckus, Father Francis C. Murphy, Janice Rose, Michael Ernest, Virginia

Jecha, Brian Phelan,

The Parishioners of St. Mary

Wednesday, October 25

7:30am: Michele Lockwood 8:30am: Barlog Stefania

Thursday, October 26

8:00am: Dorothy Mehorczyk

Friday, October 27 8:00am: James Gorecki

Saturday, October 28

8:00am: Lynita Gebhardt

5:00pm: Lorraine Peppmuller, Katie Hooper, Virginia Jecha, John C. Schultz, Elizabeth Plaza, Anthony Kernagis, The Parishioners of St. Mary

Sunday, October 29

8:00am: Paul Panella

9:30am: Larry Bahnaman Jr. 11:00am: Cody Leonhardt

6:00pm: Joe Grilli

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Dan Albrecht, Brett Anderson, Joe, Austin, Lisa Bernhard, Florence and Gino Bondi, Agnes Breslin, Alan Brown, Darlene Broadhurst, Jerry Broadhurst, Rachel Butler, Brian Butler, Francis Bulow, Bonnie Caper, James Caper, Michael Carey, Elizabeth Curtner, Monica DiGiovanni, Janice Dobek, Janet Drobick, Joanne Eaton, Susan Ewert, Vincent Felice, Barb Finn-Figliulo, Bradley Frank, Marcia Frank, Mary Ann Franson, Debbie Geren, Bonnie Gondek, Richard Grabenhofer, Jerry Grabowski, Rose Grunhard, Kelly Hampton, Natalie Haran, Jeremiah Hartmann, Mary Ingala, Daniel Izzo, Richard Junge, Les Kazmierczak, Sherley Keene, Diane Klootwyk, Richard Kolovitz, Fr. Roger Kutzner, Carlotta Lawton, Liz Leech, Jennifer Naril, Dan Lahy, Alice Lesnik, Chet Lockwood, Vernadine Lumpkin, Walter Lumpkin Sr., Walter Lumpkin Jr., Shirley Lyons, Robert Margalus, Donna Matteson, Jeanne Matug, Bill Maynard, Heidi Meekma, Janice Melisi, Ginny Meyer, Marge Migler, Rich Milkeris, Angel Munoz, Lisa Hunt Nichols, Barb Noone, Geraldine Nykaza,

Kenneth O'Gradney, Edward Olenick, Bruce Omastiak, Lorraine Peppmuller, Matthew Orr, Bob , Podlasek, Janelle Portman, Dave Racine, Eileen Redican, Eduardo Reyes, George Rohrer, Judy Roque, Barbra Rusin, Midge Saunders, William Schlieman, Dan and Brenda Schmiedel,

William Schlieman, Dan and Brenda Schmiedel,
DianeSchoneich, Barbara Smith, Brandon Smith, Jan Smith, Al Sparks, John
Stapinski, Geoffrey Sullivan, Joshua Swarez, Victor, Tamosaitis, Tiffany Theresa,

Dave Thompson, John Turas, Judy Turas, Leo Wilczek, Tim Weber, Jodie Weber, Jonathan Weber, Dan Wolf, Sarah Wolf, Jerry Wolff, Karen Yaeger

May God grant them healing!

### Please Pray for the Newly Baptized



Ava Payton, John George Facko, Kane Donald Ganz, Ryan Joseph Damrow

May God Bless the Little Ones

### God Bless Our New Parishioners

The Petrocelli Family, The Sepka Family

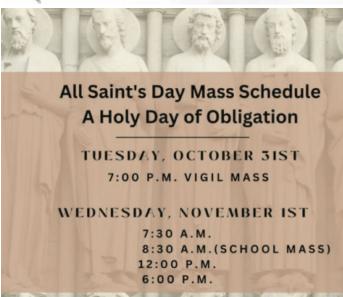


Please Pray for our Faithfully Departed Brothers and Sisters





Eternal rest grant unto them and let perpetual light shine upon them!







### CALLING ALL MEN!!!!

Get stronger, grow in holiness, become a Fit Shepherd.

Join your fellow brothers Wednesdays at 5:00 AM and Saturdays at 7:00 AM in the St. Mary parking lot for an outdoor workout and brief reflection. All fitness levels are welcome; modifications are provided.

Any questions, please contact Patrick Fulton (pmfulton@hotmail.com)



Please prayerfully consider financially supporting our parish.

We depend on your support to continue the operations of St. Mary as well as those of its many ministries. We ask that you consider supporting the parish through Online Giving.

For those not currently contributing online and would like to learn how to, please consider signing up at <a href="https://www.osvhub.com/stmarymokena/funds">https://www.osvhub.com/stmarymokena/funds</a>.

By doing this, you are saving and supporting the great work we have done and will continue to do in our future.

For those of us that do not want to give online, you can still contribute by mailing your donations to

19515 S. 115th Avenue Mokena, IL 60448 The Offertory for Sunday, October 8th was

Online Giving \$19,953.00 Envelopes \$21,256.08 \$41,209.08

The Offertory for Sunday, October 15th was

Online Giving \$13,078.75
Envelopes \$15,729.03
\$28,807.78
Budget \$32,500
Thank you for your generosity.



### St. Mary Catholic Church

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October 4, 2023

Dear St. Mary Parishioners:

The National Eucharistic Revival is a three-year initiative by the U.S. bishops that aims to inspire, educate, and unite the faithful in a more intimate relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist. In light of this, St. Mary Parish in Mokena will reintroduce kneelers at all Masses for the reception of Holy Communion. On Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, at the 5:00pm Vigil Mass two kneelers will be placed in the center aisle. Receipt of the Eucharist will be uncomplicated. Those receiving communion may choose to stand in front of the kneeler and receive in the hand or on the tongue as usual. Alternatively, one may choose to kneel and receive on the hand or the tongue. This method will be available at all Masses: daily Mass, Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm, and all Sunday Masses.

St. Mary started its participation in the Eucharist Revival with its initiation of a perpetual Eucharistic Adoration chapel and a Eucharistic procession in 2022.

In our society discussion of God and efforts to spur reverence and respect have fallen by the wayside. Sadly, a majority of Catholics do not believe in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. It is our hope and intent to turn that percentage around. St. Mary will devote its efforts to reestablish love and admiration of the Eucharist.

Those who have been "healed, converted, formed, and unified" by the Eucharist have a calling to impart to our friends and family the love and respect Our Lord deserves and expects from His followers.

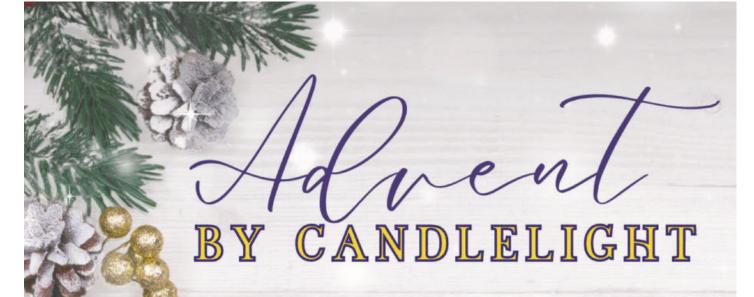
St. Mary invites all to return to the source and summit of our faith, the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Dindo Billote

Fr. Sam Conforti

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Join us for an elegant evening filled with fellowship, reflection, and food as we prepare our hearts to embrace the season of Advent and greet Christmas with true readiness.

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

6:00 P.M - 8:30 P.M. St. Mary's Church Hall

Doors open at 6pm. The evening includes live instrumental music, a special Advent reflection, and time for enjoying the company of friends, new and old. Included are hors d'oeuvres, wine, and a dessert buffet.

Tickets are \$25, available at www.stmarymokena.org/advent and in the parish office. Space is limited and no tickets will be sold at the door. General questions may be directed to Danielle, dkuboushek@stmarymokena.org.

Hostesses and bakers will be needed to make this evening a success! Please contact Michelle Sullivan (815) 995-0480 to decorate a table or Maria Kavanaugh (815) 280-3909 to bring dessert.

# Scholarship

State lawmakers are considering ending the tax credit scholarship program referred to as "Invest in Kids." This program has provided nearly 40,000 scholarships to help families send their children to a school of their choice.

### DO NOT LET THIS PROGRAM END!

Please act now and contact your state senator and state representative. Send them a strong message respectfully asking them to continue this valuable program.

You can do so by using the QR code below, by calling us at the Catholic Conference of Illinois at 217.528.9200, or visit our website at www.ilcatholic.org



To remain engaged on policy issues that affect Catholics in Illinois, join our Illinois Catholic Advocacy Network go to www.ilcatholic.org/takeaction/join-i-can





Congratulations to the
Smith family on the baptism
of their daughter
Eleanor Elizabeth

St. Mary Parish's Bus Trip to visit the relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux and her parents was a success!

Thank you to the National Shrine & Museum of St. Thérèse in Darien for hosting us!







Be on the lookout for future bus trips!



# Courage to Trust Strength to Love

SUNDAY, OCT 22, 7PM

CHURCH HALL

OUR TOPIC IS "GOSSIP" FEATURING A
POWERFUL HOMILY FROM
FR. MARK BERNHARD.



### ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Enjoy fellowship and pizza afterward.



# COMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, 10/29
DONUT SUNDAY!

AFTER ALL MORNING MASSES



SUNDAY, 11/5 MASS & FELLOWSHIP

6PM MASS
7PM MEETING
TACO NIGHT



For information contact Tom Blue tblue@stmarymokena.org

### LEARN MORE ABOUT THE EUCHARIST



St. Mary of Egypl Egypt- 4th Century



St. Mary was just 12 years old when she left for Alexandria, where she lived a very dissolute life for 16 years. One day, she saw a ship of pilgrims leaving for Jerusalem and she decided to join them. On the feast day of the Exaltation of the Cross, she was overcome with sorrow for her sins, while looking up at a beautiful image of Our Blessed Mother. She venerated the True cross and Mary continued to speak with her. The Virgin Mary said that she will only find peace across the Jordan. There, St. Mary lived in the desert for 47 years, finding peace for her soul. She met a Monk who would give her Holy Communion once a year.

One day, the Monk did not have a boat to cross to the other shore. St. Mary was found miraculously walking on water across the river to receive Holy Communion.

Such was her desire to receive Jesus and Jesus' desire to give Himself to her.

Is your spouse not a churchgoer? Are they part of another tradition and you feel alone in your faith? If you struggle trying to get your spouse to come to Mass or it is a point of contention...

Join us

for a night of solidarity and sharing.

Hear from others navigating faith with a non-practicing spouse and walk away with hope and resources.

Thursday, October 26

6:30 PM | St. Mary, Mokena Church Hall

Contact Deacon John Rex, deaconjohn@stmarymokena.org



L'Alto Young Adult Network presents



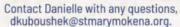
### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 7:30PM

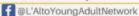
St. Mary, Mokena Church Hall DOORS OPEN AT 7:00PM \$10/PERSON WITH ADVANCE REGISTRATION \$15/PERSON AT THE DOOR

Young adults ages 18-40 are invited to form teams of 4-6 players, individuals will be joined to make teams.

### REGISTER AT STMARYMOKENA.ORG/TRIVIA

Drinks and snacks included. Winners will choose which approved charity proceeds are donated to.







Join other Catholic moms of school-age children and younger for conversation on the "Like a Mother with Katie McGrady" podcast.

### Wednesday, October 25 at 9:00am

in the Church Hall "Big Decisions & Daily Discernment with Elizabeth Nava"

Listen to podcast prior to gathering (search "Like a Mother with Katie McGrady" wherever you listen to podcasts) but even if you don't get to it, we'd love to have you join us!

Children are welcome and snacks and toys are provided. Questions?

Email DKuboushek@StMaryMokena.org

# St. Mary's Sacred Music

### OCTOBER 22ND 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS FOUND IN THE BLUE GATHER BOOK ON PAGE 1176
ALL HYMNS FOUND IN NAVY-BLUE ST. MICHAEL HYMNAL

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Gaurd me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me

### **OPENING HYMN**

For the Beauty of the Earth #513

### GLORIA

### FIRST READING

Is 45:1, 4-6

### **PSALM**

Give the Lord glory and honor

### SECOND READING

1 Thes 1:1-5b

#### GOSPEL

Mt 22:15-21

### PRESENTATION

Shepherd of Souls #743

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

AMEN

LAMB OF GOD

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

### COMMUNION HYMN

Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All #587

### CLOSING HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God #638

Do you feel called to praise the Lord through music? Join one of our choirs! Below is listed our choir options:

Psalm 96

Children's Choir: Adult Choir:

2nd & 4th Sunday at 9:30 1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:30

Regina Caeli Choir: Cantors or Instrumentalists:

Every Sunday at 11:00 Any Weekend Mass!



# Service **Opportunity**

Looking for an opportunity to help your community? Here is a great chance to get your family involved!









# **Hat and** Glove drive for kids

- Collecting NEW Hats and Gloves for kids to keep warm this winter
- Please drop off your donations at the RE office inside door 3 by Oct. 22nd

re@stmarymokena.org





Do you purchase these popular brands? You can help raise money for St. Mary School. Download the app and scan your digital or paper receipts.

Box Tops donates for each item, and there are always extra incentives or prizes to win.

Box Tops Is Now 100% Digital. Download The App To Raise Money For SMS!







When signing up use referral code: WQXYØU46 to earn \$5 for SMS



### Thank you!!

Thank you to everyone who donated coats for kids in need! We had 4 trunk loads full and we are grateful for our volunteers who helped with the delivery to My Joyful Heart!



### STYROFOAM SUNDAY

### November 4 & 5

Please drop items at the trailer in the parking lot. We will not pick up after the Sunday, 6:00 p.m. Mass.

### Items accepted:

- clean/dry meat trays
- clean/dry cups
- · clean/dry take-out containers
- clean/dry egg cartons



No packing peanuts accepted.

Please do not leave items in the narthex.

Thank you Mens's Ministry for delivering this collection for recycling!

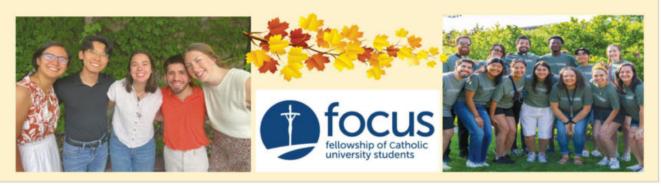
Thank you for supporting LaDauto Si (Care For Our Common Home).

### St. Mary Fall Mission Appeal

"FOCUS" is the largest Catholic collegiate missionary organization whose mission is to share the hope and joy of the gospel with college and university students. FOCUS missionaries encounter students on campus, invite them into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and accompany them as they pursue lives of virtue and excellence. Missionaries build up students in the faith, sending them out to spread the Good News and to live out the Great Commission: Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations (Mt. 28:19).

The FOCUS missionaries from the University of Illinois-Chicago will be visiting our parish the weekend of October 28-29 to share about their mission to raise disciples on college campuses. Interesting in learning more? Contact Grace Garcia at 810-357-3648 or grace.garcia@focus.org

Donations will be accepted (checks may be made payable to FOCUS with UIC Team Acct - 35015 in the memo.)





# OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH!

The crosses on the Church lawn remind us of the loss of life due to the horrendous act of abortion. Please join us in praying for the understanding that life begins at conception!





### The Pro-Life Committee

Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Church Hall at 9:00 a.m.

Visit the St. Mary website for more information.

Pray the Holy Rosary in Church on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

The first Monday of the month our rosary is dedicated to the life of the unborn.

Our **Men's Rosary for Life** will pray on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> in Flossmoor at 6:00 p.m. We will proceed to Aurelios following the Rosary. We had 14 men attend the last night out.

Let's put the power of numbers with the power of prayer! It would be great to have 25 men there on the 24th. Spread the word!

Contact Tom Blue for more information tblue@stmarymokena.org





For confidential help call 888-456-HOPE or visit hopeafterabortion.com





### The Council of Catholic Women

Mark your Calendar!

All Souls Day is November 2
We will gather for
8:00 a.m. Mass of Remembrance
for all deceased members of the CCW

The next **Board Meeting**, will be Wednesday, November 8th in the Church Hall, Fatima Room at 9:00 a.m.

The next **General Meeting** will be Thursday, November 16 6:30 p.m. in the Church Hall.

### The Widow and Widowers Club

Mark your calendar—We will attend a Halloween Party Wednesday, October 25th 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. at the Frankfort Senior Community Café.

Contact Patricia Backus to register (815) 351-8995

The next meeting is Wednesday, November 8 at 2:00 p.m. in the Church Hall.



Contact Marcia Frank for information about

## The Young at Heart Senior Club



The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 1

1:00 p.m. in the Church Hall

We will be making Christmas Cards for Veterans

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The next **Council Meeting** will be Tuesday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Guadalupe Room, Church Hall.

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

- Do you enjoy knitting, crocheting, or sewing?
- Would you like to learn how?
- Would you like to be a part of a Ministry helping those stricken with cancer, chronic conditions, or other situations by providing them with a prayer shawl?

We invite you to join our group!
Our next meeting will be Monday,
November 6th in the Church Hall
Fatima Room 9:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m.

Our monthly meetings are a time for work and prayer. We pray the Fatima rosary while creating shawls. These shawls are a reminder of God's love and a visible sign of a "hug from God".

Visit the St. Mary website for more information or just come to one of our meetings.

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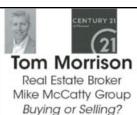


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