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MATTHEW 11:28

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2026

**St. Mary of the Assumption
Catholic Church**

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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Hello everyone,

This weekend we celebrate our nation's independence. And this year is a special anniversary since it's the 250th anniversary of our country. I love America. I think that we live in the best nation on earth. Above all, we should give God thanks for America. And we should pray for our nation, pray for our leaders, pray for our military personnel. The 4th of July is one of my favorite holidays because it fills me with thanksgiving for our nation, hope for our future, and a sense of responsibility for our community. So, please join with me in praying to God for our nation as we remember its founding 250 years ago.

God bless you all,

Fr Jake



Weekly Offertory Collections June 28, 2026

**Please consider including our parish
in your will or estate.**

Weekend Offerings/Envelopes	\$8,147.00
Online Giving same period	\$8,560.00
Loose Change	\$598.85
Total Offerings for the week	\$17,297.85

Cost of operation of the church and school is supplemented by wills, endowments, grants, Bishop's Appeal Overage, and other offerings to the parish. Please consider these means of contributing.



Attention High School Graduates

If you submitted a senior photo, please pick up yours
in the back of church near the baptismal font.



July 6 ~ July 12 Liturgy Schedule

Monday, July 6

8:10 a.m. Marilyn Grace Roop †
5:00 p.m. Adoration/Confession
6:00 p.m. David Mills †

Tuesday, July 7

8:10 a.m. L-D: Bleke & Bowers Families
5:00 p.m. Adoration/Confession
6:00 p.m. Randy Grover †

Wednesday, July 8

8:10 a.m. John Schultz †

Thursday, July 9

8:10 a.m. Mark Bauman †
6:00 p.m. Robert Kershner †
6:30 p.m. Confession

Friday, July 10

8:10 a.m. Norm & Phyllis Rorick †
9:00 a.m. Adoration/Confession
1:30 p.m. L-D: Walt Mowery Family (Woodcrest Mass)

Saturday, July 11

8:10 a.m. Joanne Martin †
8:45 a.m. Confession
4:00 p.m. Larry Daniels †

Sunday, July 12

7:00 a.m. L-D: Troy & Bridget Merkle Family
8:30 a.m. People of St. Mary's Parish
11:00 a.m. L-D: Cyril & Margaret Becker Family

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Ministry Schedule July 11/12

Proclaimer	Knights of the Altar	Extraordinary Minister
Saturday, 4:00 PM Mary Ann Webb	Claire Kable Raphael Presas Griffin Ranly Eleanor Smith	Alan Etzkorn Kevin Wellman
Sunday, 7:00 AM Don Lengerich	Olivia Brown Craig Whitman	Dan Miller
Sunday, 8:30 AM Jacob Gerig	Aden Beer Macy Bohnke Samuel Juengel Sawyer Zimmerman	Mike Reynolds Joy Reynolds
Sunday, 11:00 AM Michelle Barker	Isaac Barker Oliver Barker Ellie Ruble Amelia Ruble	Erika Hebble Thomas Barker

Ushers for the Month of July

Saturday, 4:00 PM: Jim Kuhnle and Bill Schultz
 Sunday, 7:00 AM: Mike Gremaux and Denny Bentz
 8:30 AM: Andy and Olivia Lengerich
 11:00 AM: Chris and Jessica Faurote



SAINT MARIA GORETTI (1890-1902) July 6

Does anything match a mother's pride in her children? First Communions, confirmations, graduations, weddings: how these delight a mother's heart! Imagine, then, Assunta Goretti, the only mother ever to attend her child's canonization! In poverty-stricken rural Italy, widowed Assunta tended fields for the Serenelli family, whose eighteen-year old son Alessandro propositioned her barely twelve-year old Maria; then, when she resisted, crying, "It is a sin! God forbids it!" he stabbed her fourteen times. As she lay dying, Maria assured the attending priest, "Yes, I forgive Alessandro! I want him to be in Paradise with me someday." Imprisoned, unrepentant, Alessandro changed after dreaming that a radiant Maria had offered him fourteen lilies. "I've kept my promise," she smiled. "You'll be here with me someday." Upon release, he rushed to beg Assunta's forgiveness. "Jesus has forgiven you," she replied, "my Maria too. How can I refuse?" Next morning, mother and murderer walked arm in arm to church and knelt side by side for Communion.
 —Peter Scagnelli



Pray for Vocations

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**"Come to me, all you who labor
and are burdened, and I will
give you rest."**

(Matthew 11:28)

Christ invites each of us to lay down our burdens and find true peace in Him. In every vocation, priesthood, consecrated life, or holy matrimony, we are called to follow Him with trust, allowing His grace to strengthen us and renew our hearts. Take a moment today to listen to His call and rest in His loving presence. If you feel a stirring desire to follow God's path, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 260-422-4611 or by email at discernpriesthood@diocesefwsb.org women: jhayes@diocesefwsb.org



In Memoriam

We note the recent passing of
Janice Geels and Timothy DesJean.
Please keep them, their families and their friends in your prayers during this difficult time.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, Oh Lord,
and let your perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.*

Recently Baptized

Please welcome into the family of Christ:
Janey Lynn Huffine
Daughter of Nickolas and Miranda (Voglewede) Huffine

Briar Elizabeth Baker
Daughter of Daniel and Morgan (Ellsworth) Baker

Callahan Derrick Snyder
Son of Travis and Alexandria (Wellman) Snyder

*"May the Lord give His angel charge over you, to guide
you in all your ways." Psalm 91:11*



Vacation Bible School

Sign Up!

Children & Volunteers
in the Parish Hall
or call/text Janel Lengerich
(260)706-1845

**Monday, July 13th
thru
Thursday, July 16th
6:00 to 8:30 pm
each day**

St. Mary's Parish Hall



Requested Donation Items for VBS

- 60 cups of Snack Pack Berry Blue gelatin cups
- 3 tubs of 16 oz whipped topping (any brand)
- 4 bags of fresh, seedless clementines
- 7 cans of 16 oz vanilla frosting (not the whipped ones, please)
- 7 cans of 16 oz chocolate frosting (not the whipped ones, please)
- 2 - 9.4 oz bags of mini M&M's
- 1 package of licorice rope - Twizzlers Pull 'n Peel
- 6 to 8 bottles of different types of cookie sprinkles
- 200 rectangular snack bags
- 12 bags of green/white grapes (weighing approximately 2 to 3 pounds per pkg)
- 8 cases of water
- 12 boxes of snack chips
- 15 assorted snack cakes (Little Debbie's, cookies, Hostess, etc.)
- 1 - 12 oz package of Swedish Fish Mini
- 2 - 12 oz packages of large marshmallows
- 60 - Snack Pack vanilla pudding cups (3.25 oz cups)
- 2 - 2.5 oz small bottles of cinnamon (only cinnamon)
- 2 - 1.5 oz small bottles of ground nutmeg
- 5 - 12 oz bags of pretzel rods
- 3 - 20 oz raisins
- 1 - 13 oz Nutella
- 6 - 12 oz bags of banana chips
- 2 - 18 oz box of Family Size Rice Chex (any brand)
- 4 - 24 oz semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 5 - 16.6 oz box Family Size Froot Loops (any brand)
- 6 bags of apples
- 5 bunches of bananas
- 4 bags of carrots
- 3 bunch of celery

Please text/call Michelle Barker (260)223-1343 to let her know which item(s) you plan to donate.

Traveling this Summer?



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Ladies!

Join us in July for Kingdom Builders



Kingdom Vision ~ "Daddy, lift me up! I want to see!" Like a child calling out repeatedly, we too need to be lifted up. God is calling us to leave behind the noise of this world and jump into His arms, so He can raise us to new heights. Join us in July to find rest in the altitude of His love.



Kingdom Builders

www.BuildingThroughHim.com



Church and School Websites

If you haven't been on in awhile, please check out both websites for updated information.

www.stmarysdecatur.org

www.sjdecatur.org



Save the Date!
September 12th & 13th

Auction Items Needed!



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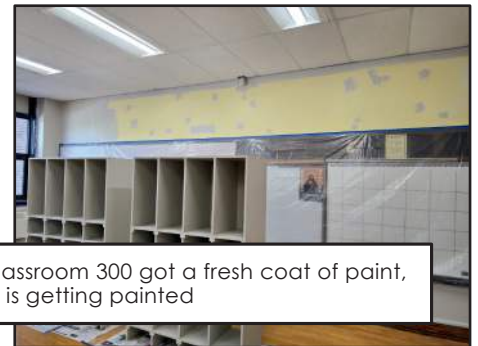
A Glimpse of What is Happening This Summer



The Parish Hall entry is getting taken out and replaced to make it safer for everyone.



Floors getting waxed, Lockers in Classroom 300 got a fresh coat of paint, Classroom 301 is getting painted



Don't Forget to schedule your sports physicals this summer.

Adams Memorial is hosting Summer Saturdays on

July 18th & August 1st.

Call 833.724.DOCS to Schedule Today!



All St. Joe athletes are required to have an updated physical on file in the office before the first practice.

Millenium Madness Winner

Congratulations to **winner** of \$300, Amanda Ralston, the week of 6/29/26 with number 437. The winning ticket was sold by the Destiny Gattis Family.

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Fort Wayne area:

7 a.m.: WPTA 21.3 (MyTV) | Frontier 9, 509 | Comcast 252, 1024, 1172 | DirecTV 22

10 a.m.: WISE CW 33.1 | Frontier 6, 506 | Comcast 19, 1033 | DirecTV 33 | Dish 34

Fatima, USA

The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein will commemorate Our Lady's apparition and message at Fatima on Friday, August 14th, at 7:30 PM. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Ethan Moore. There was be a candlelight rosary, procession through the woods, and confessions. Please bring your own lawn chair for seating, a flash light, and be sure to dress appropriately.

Handouts are available at all the church exits and in the parish hall.

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Ada Mendoza	Fr. Jonathan	Morgan Esquibel
Al Fenig	Gene Koenig	Molly McIntire
Anita Myers	Jack and Noah Price	Nancy Hackman
Bauman Family	Jane Lengerich	Nancy Keller Gump
Betty Clary	Jeff Coyne	Phyllis Feasel
Bev Weber	Jessica Thieme	Ric Black
Bill Faurote	Jim Baumer	Rita Wolpert
Bobby Walters	Joan Busick	Ron Andrews
Candy Reidenbach	Jody Beauchot	Rosalie Boyle
Chloe Blythe	Joe Brite	Ryan Burelson
Dan Schnitz	Joe Wyss	Sally Minnick
Dave Heimann	Judy Faurote	Sammi Porter
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Deb Jones	Kevin Noble	Steve Rickord
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Dorie Wyss-Brite	Lori Miller	Suzanne Ashton
Doug Watkins	Maddie Miller	Theresa Ashley
Emily King	Mary Friedt	Tricia Anderson
Eric Sharp	Mary Baker	Vincent Collier
Evelyn Fields	Mike Lindsay	

Names will remain on this list for 4 months.

If you would like to have a name added to our prayer list or have updates to those on the list, please contact Angie at angierichert@gmail.com, text 260-525-0424 or reply to Flocknote emails.

Have you heard?

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St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Directory

St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Friday: Closed

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Amy Smith
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Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM, 8:30 AM, & 11:00 AM
Daily Mass: See Schedule Listed on Page 2

Sacraments

Baptism

Contact Debbie Myers
(260)706-7134
dsmysers@sjdecatur.org

Marriage

Contact the parish office six months in advance.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Monday, Tuesday: 5:00 PM
Thursday: 6:45 PM
Friday, Saturday: 8:45 AM
(or by Appointment)

Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office (260)724-9159
After Office Hours, Call (260)706-7136

St. Vincent dePaul

Assistance: Chris Hakes (260)728-9423
Food Pantry: 301 Mercer Ave., (260)223-6700
Store: 1209 Village Green Dr., (260) 724-8500

St. Joseph Cemetery

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Don Kriegel
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stjosephcemetery@yahoo.com

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Amanda Johnson
(260)223-2502

St. Joseph Catholic School

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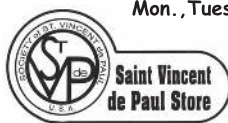
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