

32ND Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 8, 2026

FIRST SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7
8:00AM Rosary & Confession
8:30AM Mass: Souls in Purgatory
9-10AM Confessions
4:00PM Confessions
4:30PM Rosary
5:00PM Mass: †John L. Brindle

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8
8:00AM Rosary & Confessions
8:30AM Mass: †Lynam Family Members

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9
— NO Mass

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10
~~5:00PM~~ NO Rosary or NO Confessions
~~5:30PM~~ NO Mass

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11
4:30PM Evening Prayer & Adoration
5:00PM Confession & Benediction
5:30PM Mass: †Harry Knickerbocker

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12
8:00AM Rosary & Confessions
8:30AM Mass: †James Paul Dunnigan

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13
8:00AM Rosary & Confessions
8:30AM Mass: †Edmund Griggs
9:00AM Fatima Rosary & Adoration

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
9-10AM Confessions
4:00PM Confessions
4:30PM Rosary
5:00PM Mass: †Fr. Greg Hart

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
8:00AM Rosary & Confessions
8:30AM Mass: †Summer Rykert

Mary Mother of God
Catholic Church • Harrison, AR

We welcome all visitors to Mary Mother Of God Church. We hope you enjoy your stay in this area and may God be with you on your trip home.

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Gospel Meditation
My first instinct upon waking is to grab my phone and start scrolling. Sometimes I do it for 20 or 30 minutes, and it makes me feel distracted and agitated. I feel guilty, too, for wasting my first moments of the day. So recently, I committed those minutes to reading a book that would focus my mind on Jesus. I enjoy the fact that I am not scattering my attention as much. I feel more peaceful and focused on God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about attention. He contrasts wise and foolish virgins, and then sums up the teaching by saying, "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour" (Matthew 25:13). The basic currency of the human heart is attention. The foolish bridesmaids are not immoral or malicious; they are unfocused, distracted, and unprepared. They assume that borrowed oil will suffice, that someone else's readiness can make up for their own lack. But the attention which is love cannot be outsourced. A relationship with God requires personal attentiveness cultivated over time.

This Gospel leaves us with an honest question. What am I giving my attention to each day, and am I forming a heart that is awake, watchful, and ready to meet the Lord when He comes? How can I use key moments of my day to focus my attention where I need it to be?

— *Father John Muir,* ©LPi

Parish Mission Statement
The mission of Mary Mother of God, Catholic Church is to carry on the ministry of Jesus Christ, as members of his living body, the church, to bring the kingdom of God into the world through evangelization, worship, religious education, and service in our families, parish, and community.

Remembering Our Deceased Loved Ones

Beginning **Nov. 1**, All Saints Day, a Book of Remembrance will be available on a table in the church vestibule throughout the month of November. Parishioners are invited to write the names of deceased loved ones so we may remember them in our prayers during this special month of remembrance.

Adult Education/OCIA Classes

Wed. Nov. 11 - Lesson 14: The Last Things: God Will Set All Things Right
Wed. Nov. 18 - Lesson 15: The Liturgy and the Sacraments: Christ with Us
Wed. Nov. 25 - NO CLASS - HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

All sessions are open to everyone, Catholics and non-Catholics alike. Come grow in your faith and learn to live the Gospel more fully. A meal is provided.

Men's Anchor Society Meeting

The Men's Anchor Society will meet Friday, **Nov. 13** at 6PM for Christian men fellowship at the MMG firepit. Please bring a dish and drink of your choice. ALL men of the parish (18 & older) are invited!

Knights of Columbus Baby Shower

The Knights of Columbus would like to extend an invitation to you to attend a Baby Shower they will host on Tuesday, **Nov. 17** at 6:30PM in support of Informed Choices. A Spaghetti Dinner, along with Salad and Garlic Bread, will be provided. A list of baby items needed will be available in next weekend's bulletin and of course monetary donations are always available. Thank you for your support!

Day of Prayer & Healing for Men

A one-day retreat for MEN whose lives have been impacted by abortion, Saturday, **Nov. 21**, 9am-5pm in the Little Rock area. The day includes prayer, discussion, the opportunity for confession and a private Mass. The exact location is disclosed only to registered participants. To register or for more information, call or text Project Rachel at 501-663-0996 or email projectrachel@dolr.org. All communication is confidential.

Bible Study

The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy, begins Sunday, **Nov. 29**. Please sign up by using the following link, https://marymotherofgodchurch.flocknote.com/signup/280505 or by contacting the Church Office.

Search #159 Retreat

Registrations are now being accepted for Search #159, a retreat to help juniors and seniors in high school get to know themselves better, deepen their friendship with Christ, and find support in living out their faith. The summer Search is open to high school juniors and seniors. Search #159 will be held at St. John Center, Little Rock, over the dates of **Dec. 11-13**. The fee is $150.00. For more information and registration forms visit our website at:
PAPER REGISTRATION:
https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/search-159.pdf
ONLINE REGISTRATION: https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/search-159-december-11-13--2026

Pilgrimage, Holy Land

Travel with Fr. Ben Riley and author Amy Schisler, **April 6-15, 2027**, with Mass in Nazareth, Cana, the Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum, the Mount of Olives, Gethsemane, the Holy Sepulchre and Bethlehem. Includes airfare, hotels, breakfast and dinner daily, guides, admissions and daily Mass. Reserve: 410-725-1693; www.psalm91min.com; amyschislerauthor@psalm91min.com

Marian Pathways to Holiness Group

The Marian Pathways to Holiness Group will be studying the book "THE CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE" starting in January and invite you to join them. Please contact Carmen, whose number can be found in the bulletin under "Community Devotions", for more information. You can sign up for this study by using the following link, https://marymotherofgodchurch.flocknote.com/signup/281719

One Church

The diocesan initiative One Church invests each year in a church or school in our diocese that needs help to become a thriving community. The 2026-2027 partner is Holy Rosary School in Stuttgart. Funds given over the next 12 months will help them welcome more students in Arkansas County. Please pray for this project and give today. Visit dolr.org/one-church.

Renewing God's House



Our Church Flooring Campaign cares for the worship space God has entrusted to us: a dignified, unified sanctuary, safer and more durable flooring and a cohesive design throughout our church. Our goal is $150,000, and every gift brings us closer. To give, scan the QR code below. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and support.

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Welcome New Catholics (OCIA)	Wayne /Judy Keith	870-365-3570
Catholic in Recovery	Eric Bausch	870-688-6245

Observances of the week

Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Tuesday: St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day
Thursday: St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
Friday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
Next Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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- YouTube (search "Harrison Catholic" for Masses and parish videos)
- FORMED, free Catholic streaming (movies, audiobooks, and daily reflections). Under resources, create an account and search "Mary Mother of God." Select the Harrison location

Flocknote Sign-Up. Stay updated on parish events! Text "flocking" to 84576 or visit flocknote.com/marymotherofgodchurch.

Prayer List

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Military & emergency personnel, veterans, victims of terrorism, war, and other violence, victims of natural disasters, the sick & injured, all others in need of prayer, and for an increase in vocations.

INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES

David Allen, Roy Arnold, Patricia Bel, Larry & Cindy Benner, Sandi Black, Terry Bodson, Marie Bottini, Kyle Bowling, †Mary Bowling, Betty Burge, Norma Calhoun, Danny Clark & Family, Brian Coffman, Darlene Coffman, Larry & Rita Coffman, Ann Connell, †David Decker, Mary Decker, Meghan Decker, Wayne Dixon, John & Wink Duncan, Heather Faught, John Forrest, Casey Gibbs, Lorraine Gokenbach, Ricky & Georgeanna Greenhaw, Becky & Hank Hartman, Pat Heinen, Sheila Hight, Jon Hill & Family, Dianne Hoberock, Derek Holden, Connie Israel, Ed & Virray Karlovic, Darby Kester, Scott Kennebec, Mary Koenig, Dennis Kyler, Eleanor Lipsmeyer, Mary Lynam, Mike & Sandy Luckenbill, Andi Miller, Shane & Esther Neeley, Christine Neely, Tina Pietrabella, Jimmy Pierce, Baby Guy Reading, Teresa Rotkowski, Giovanna Sandri, Betty Stechly, Greg Stephens, Dr. Grace St. Pierre, Linda Utaski, Maddie Van Deven, Nettie Virnig, Carly Webb, Cooper Webb, Jimmie & Rita Wells, Ray Wood.

To add a name or ensure a name remains, please contact the parish office.

Community Devotions

- **Eucharistic Adoration,** 24/7 (Sign up for daytime hours)
- **Fatima Rosary,** every Friday at 9am
- **Patriotic Rosary,** First Friday at 8am
- **Marian Pathways to Holiness,** every First Saturday at 9:30am
- **First Saturday Devotions,** every First Saturday.
- **Seven Sisters Apostolate,** praying for our priests.
- **CCW Rosary** for Parish intentions, every Second Thursday at 9am.

For more info, call or text Carmen Andrade at 305-815-1795.

Fasting Brothers: For more information, contact Trevor Buckhout at 870-414-1115.

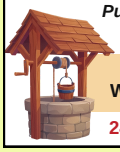
Volunteer for a Mass Ministry

Eucharistic Ministers: Call Dcn. Mark, 870-741-1579
Lectors/Rosary Leaders: Call Greg or Julie Jasper, 870-688-9369 / 688-3354
Ushers: Call Jerry Hogue, 870-378-2605

Thank you to all Mass volunteers! New volunteers are welcome, and training is provided.

The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by Clerics, Church volunteers, or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964 and the Chancellor | General Counsel, Dcn. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gottsponer at (501) 499-9110. Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

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