



### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Mondays As Scheduled

Tuesday & Wednesday – 5:30 PM

Thursday, Friday & Saturday – 8:30 AM

### **HOLY DAY MASSES**

As Announced

### **CONFESSIONS**

One-Half Hour Before All Masses

Or By Appointment w/Father Jim at 870-741-5234

### **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, in our parish, and in our community.

### **CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

We welcome new members to our Church through the process and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Please contact the church office.

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Parents and Godparents are required to participate in a preparation process before the Baptism of children. Registration is required.

Please contact the church office.

### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Arrangements for wedding must be made at least six months in advance.

Please contact the church office.

### **COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND**

Extraordinary Ministers are available to bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are not able to attend Mass. Call the church office about anyone who would like to receive the Eucharist at home.

### **SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Please contact Father Jim.

## **MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**Mailing Address: PO Box 2150**

**Physical Address (No Mail): 1614 Maplewood Rd.**

**Harrison, Arkansas 72602**

**Church Office & Rectory – 870-741-5234**

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Emails & Prayer-Line Connection: [mmgchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:mmgchurch@yahoo.com)  
[www.harrisoncatholic.org](http://www.harrisoncatholic.org)

**Pastor:**

**Rev. James M. Fanrak**

**Deacon:**

**Dc. Mark Scouten**

Parish Manager:

Robin Markham

Adult Scripture Study:

Tom Hoberock

Buildings, Maintenance:

Craig Bailey

Catholic Christian Women:

Holly Coffman

Catholic Youth Ministries (CYM):

Cemetery Committee:

Marlene Rowe

Custodian:

Holly Coffman

Eucharistic Adoration:

Carmen Andrade

Finance Council:

Joe Koenig

Flocknote:

Robin Markham

Knights of Columbus:

Frank Handley

Knights of Columbus, 4<sup>th</sup> Degree:

Everett Burr

Legion of Mary:

Pat Knickerbocker

Libraries:

Jennifer Johnson

Liturgy, Sacraments, Devotions:

Dc. Mark Scouten

Music Ministry:

Julie Jasper

Pro-Life:

Sandra Guidry

Religious Ed, Formation (PREP):

Holly Coffman

Sacristans:

K. Jones, M. Stephens

Alternate Sacristans:

E. Scouten, C. Bailey

Safe Environment:

Holly Coffman

Social Justice/Charitable Outreach

Robin Markham

Trail Life USA:

Wes Bradford

Tribunal:

Dc. Mark Scouten

Wedding Coordinator:

Bonnie Tauer

Welcome New Catholics (RCIA):

Wayne & Judy Keith

### **NEW IN PARISH**

To register in the parish, please fill out the form below.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish Moved From:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish City:** \_\_\_\_\_

( ) New In Parish ( ) Change of Address/Phone/Email

## 2022 WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| <b>First Saturday,</b> | <b>June 4</b>   |
| 8:00 AM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 8:30 AM                | MASS: SI – Tuazon Family, In Thanksgiving                                       |
| <b>9:00 AM</b>         | <b>First Saturday Devotions</b>   |
| 4:30 PM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 5:00 PM                | MASS: +Tom Jamison  |
| <b>Sunday,</b>         | <b>June 5 – Pentecost Sunday</b>  |
| 8:00 AM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 8:30 AM                | MASS: SI – Father Jim Fanrak,<br>51 <sup>st</sup> Anniv. of Priestly Ordination |
| <b>Monday,</b>         | <b>June 6 - NO MASS</b>   |
| <b>Tuesday,</b>        | <b>June 7</b>   |
| 5:00 PM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 5:30 PM                | MASS: +Agnes Edgmon   |
| <b>Wednesday,</b>      | <b>June 8</b>   |
| 5:00 PM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 5:30 PM                | MASS: +Joyce Kester   |
| <b>Thursday,</b>       | <b>June 9</b>   |
| 8:00 AM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 8:30 AM                | MASS: +Joyceline Boudreaux, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.                              |
| <b>9:00 AM</b>         | <b>Rosary w/Catholic Christian Women</b>  |
| <b>Friday,</b>         | <b>June 10</b>  |
| 8:00 AM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 8:30 AM                | MASS: SI – Lucia Krone, BD  |
| 9-10 AM                | Holy Hour: Fatima Rosary  |
| <b>Saturday,</b>       | <b>June 11</b>  |
| 8:00 AM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 8:30 AM                | MASS: +Tom Edgmon   |
| 4:30 PM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 5:00 PM                | MASS: +M.C. Bohannon, 14 <sup>th</sup> Anniv. (6-13)                            |
| <b>Sunday,</b>         | <b>June 12 – The Most Holy Trinity</b>  |
| 8:00 AM                | Rosary & Confessions  |
| 8:30 AM                | MASS: SI – Father Jim Fanrak  |



**VIGIL CANDLES** - If you wish to light a 6-day vigil candle, a suggested \$3 donation is requested.

**CONFESSIONS ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE** one-half hour before all Daily and Saturday/Sunday Masses or by appointment.

**Personal Listening Devices are Available for Mass.** Please see an usher in the vestibule to sign one out.

**ONLINE BULLETINS** for Mary Mother of God Church and St. Andrew's Church may be found at [harrisoncatholic.org](http://harrisoncatholic.org).

**BISHOP TAYLOR ANNOUNCED EFFECTIVE MAY 15-16, 2021, MASK WEARING IS OPTIONAL.** His letter of May 9 stated: I believe that due to the universal availability of the vaccine, we can now make mask-wearing optional, effective. In addition, Communion on the tongue during Mass is now allowed. **I do recommend, but do not require, continued mask-wearing for those who are not yet fully vaccinated or who are otherwise vulnerable.**

MMG livestreams the Saturday 5 PM & Sunday 8:30 AM Masses. Go online to the Mary Mother of God Catholic Church Facebook account or visit the church website at [harrisoncatholic.org](http://harrisoncatholic.org). Click Resources; then click livestream. For daily Masses, visit the MMG Facebook account.



**PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW CATHOLICS!** – Jason Johnson (husband of Jennifer) celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion, and Jacob King celebrated the Rite of Full Communion on May 27. Many blessings to Jason, Jacob, and their families.



**REST IN PEACE** – Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of +Gary Grisham (husband of Sandy) who died on May 25. Please keep Gary and his family in your prayers.

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY** is for the Maintenance Fund.

**BIBLE STUDY** – “Matthew: The King and His Kingdom” continues Sundays at 10 AM, Tuesdays at 3 PM and Wednesdays at 5:30 PM. If you're interested in joining one of these groups, contact Tom Hoberock at 688-1202.



**BINGO TODAY** – Sunday, June 5 at 2 PM. Invite a friend! Doors will open at 1 PM. Proceeds benefit local charities. Participants must be at least 18 years old.

**Knights of Columbus** will meet **Monday, June 6** at 6:30 PM for Fellowship Meal and 7:30 PM Meeting.

**Catholic Christian Women (CCW)** will pray the Rosary this **Thursday, June 9**, at 9 AM. Coffee and sweets will follow in the Hall after the Rosary. Everyone is welcome!

**The Legion of Mary** will meet at **4:30 PM on Thursdays** in the Altar Server Sacristy (room behind the altar). It is an open meeting and everyone is welcome to attend and pray with us.



**ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL** is **Thursday at 6 PM**. Any questions, contact Julie Jasper at 688-9369 or [julesjasper93@gmail.com](mailto:julesjasper93@gmail.com).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| Jun 5:  | Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3h-7, 12-13 / Jn 20:19-23 |
| Jun 6:  | Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 / Jn 19:25-34      |
| Jun 7:  | 1 Kgs 17:7-16 / Mt 5:13-16                       |
| Jun 8:  | 1 Kgs 18:20-39 / Mt 5:17-19                      |
| Jun 9:  | 1 Kgs 18:41-46 / Mt 5:20-26                      |
| Jun 10: | 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16 / Mt 5:27-32                  |
| Jun 11: | Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 / Mt 5:33-37              |
| Jun 12: | Prv 8:22-31 / Rom 5:1-5 / Jn 16:12-15            |

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** – Military & Emergency Personnel, Victims of Natural Disasters, COVID-19, Terrorism and War, Vocations, Charlotte Amrhein, Michelle Barnard, Carl Bell, Donnie Billups, Carol Bomboy, Sue Brain, Jami Broscovak, Ray Brysch, Betty Burge, Dee Burr, Brian Coffman, Larry/Rita Coffman, Jim/Karen Conner, Kenneth Davis, Connie Deroche, Bruce Durand, Maureen Fancher, Glen Feldman, John Forrest, Casey Gibbs, Bill/Levi/Ruth Haley, Chris Haley, Pete Hartman, Leon/Russell Heard, Lorita Henry, Molly Hetrick, Dianne Hoberock, Linda Hoyet, Daniel Hunter, Chris Jasper, Leah Jordan, Lavonne Keehn, Daniel Kester, Emory Keys, Dr. Charles Klepper, Mary Koenig, Bernie Kohl, Eva Kreuger, Charlie LaFrancis, Brian Long, Bobbie Lowery Family, Bill May, Mike Mooneyham, Janice Munzner, Sheila O'Laughlin, Gerri Parr, Eliska Pollock, Jaque Radisch, Kathy Robinson, Tim Rynders, Margaret Mary Schlacter, Dc. Mark Scouten, Ed Servis, Bill Seyfried, Phil Sides, Margaret Smith, Margie Stephen, Bob Stephens, Kathleen Stimson, Bonnie Tauer, Ting Tuazon, Ashley/River Wygle. **Our Nursing Home Residents:** David Allen, Mary Allen, Terry Bodson, Steve Crawford, Patsy Hahn, Lylia Laffoon, Alan Lasecki, Bonnie Lundblad, Ann May, Bob/Diane Patterson, Mary Ralston, Giovanna Sandri, Billie Signer, Liz Smalley, Jean Williams. **Please keep our list current by contacting the office to add/delete names.**

**May 11, 2022 – Bishop Taylor announced the following pastoral appointments:**

**Effective June 13, 2022:**

**Rev. James Fanrak**, relieved of his responsibilities as pastor of Mary Mother of God Church in Harrison and St. Andrew Church in Yellville to become senior priest.

**Rev. Benjamin Riley**, appointed administrator of Mary Mother of God Church in Harrison and St. Andrew Church in Yellville. He is relieved of his responsibilities as associate pastor of Immaculate Conception Church in N. Little Rock.



**A Note from Your Pastor:**

*My friends, I have served you as your pastor for some twelve years. Those years have been a time of great blessings, personal growth, and joy for me. I am most grateful to you for that, THANK YOU.*

*I am now becoming a Senior Priest (retired). Why? Well, for some time I have noticed that my energy level and stamina have been waning, and I believe that you could be better served by someone else as pastor.*

*I consulted with Bishop Taylor and the DOLR Personnel Board, and now am being assigned to serve as Senior Priest.*

*Now I can continue to serve as priest but without the usual routine and responsibilities of being pastor. I'm looking ahead to helping out covering where the local pastors need to be away for one reason or another, especially in North Central Arkansas.*

*You may have questions; I'd gladly answer them. Please do call Robin at the church office in Harrison at 870-741-5234, let her know and I will call you.*

*Again, thank you very much for everything, and may God bless you. I appreciate you a great deal.*

**– Father Jim Fanrak**

**Father Jim and Deacon Mark have offered a simple explanation on the differences between a senior priest, pastor, associate pastor, and administrator:**

*An Administrator is a priest with full faculties but needs a little more experience to be titled a pastor. As an administrator, he has limited authority for any changes to property/buildings/staff, etc., without permission from the Bishop.*

*An Associate Pastor is usually assigned 1-2 years under a pastor's supervision in a larger parish.*

*A Pastor is usually assigned to a smaller parish or multiple parishes and eventually to larger parishes.*

*A Senior Priest is still very much a priest but no longer has the responsibilities associated with being a Pastor. Senior priests regularly help out as needed in parishes when they are well enough to do so. The parish is no longer responsible for their salary, benefits, and expenses. These are now taken care of by the Diocesan Financial Office.*

**PROJECT RACHEL** – Has abortion left you with a broken heart? You are not alone. Peace starts here. Non-judgmental. There is hope. Healing is possible. Experience the love and mercy of God. Please call or text 501-663-0996 or email [rpuello@dolr.org](mailto:rpuello@dolr.org). All inquiries are strictly confidential.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – COME & VISIT YOUR SAVIOR!**

"The sacred host exposed to our view speaks of the infinite power of Love manifested on the glorious Cross. The sacred host speaks to us of the incredible abasement of the one who made himself poor so as to make us rich in him, the one who accepted the loss of everything so as to win us for his Father. The sacred host is the living, efficacious and real sacrament of the eternal presence of the Savior of mankind to his Church." Pope Benedict XVI

**Call Carmen at 305-815-1795 to schedule a time.**

**Sunday @ 7 AM, 9 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM, Noon, 3 PM & 5 PM**

**Monday @ 7 AM, 10 AM, 1 PM & 5 PM**

**Tuesday @ 7 AM, 8 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM & 2 PM**

**Wednesday @ 7 AM, 1 PM, 4 PM & 6 PM**

**Thursday @ 1 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM & 6 PM**

**Friday @ 1 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM & 5 PM**

**Saturday @ Noon, 1 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM & 4 PM**



**COLLECTION: May 1-31, 2022**

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| General Collection            | 22,076.00 |
| Maintenance Fund              | 1,366.00  |
| Cath. Communications Campaign | 704.00    |
| Good Friday                   | 20.00     |
| Easter Sunday                 | 125.00    |

**2022 Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal (CASA)** - To date, our parishioners have given **\$11,640.00 or 55%** of our designated goal of **\$21,000**. Thank you for your support in helping our diocese to continue to carry on the missionary work of Jesus.

The Diocese of Little Rock welcomes you to join us for the **Ordination of 46 Permanent Deacons on June 11 or June 25**; both ordinations will be livestreamed on the Diocesan Homepage channel at <https://www.youtube.com/c/cdolr>. Since seating is limited at Christ the King in Little Rock, we encourage you to join this event with the livestream link.

**June 11, 2022**

**10:00 AM**

**Christ the King, Little Rock**

**June 25, 2022**

**10:00 AM**

**St. Vincent de Paul, Rogers**



**OPEN HOUSE - Little Portion Hermitage & Monastery – June 18, 10 AM to 3 PM** – Come and see this monastic "Jewel of the Ozarks" - Tour our beautiful monastery gardens and meet our community! View our hand-painted Icons from Ukraine in our monastery chapel! Refreshments provided! Our address is: 350 CR 248, Berryville, AR Questions? Call 479-253-7710 or 877-504-9865 or visit [www.littleportion.org](http://www.littleportion.org).

**Retreats at Little Portion Hermitage & Monastery with John Michael Talbot** – These retreats are not about a holy program, but about a way of life that Jesus wants us to live fully in His Kingdom. John Michael will share with you the way our saints lived as examples of the way of life and how to live it today! **Upcoming Retreat: June 24-26 Simple Living.** For more info, visit [troubadourforthelord.net](http://troubadourforthelord.net) or call 877-504-9865.

**Parish communications, such as prayer requests, updates, Mass cancellations, etc., arrive as a Flocknote message.** Individuals and/or families are



subscribed so they will either receive messages as emails or texts per their preference. If you do not receive prayer request emails and would like to, sign up now! Registration is easy. There are two ways to connect (pick one): Visit our parish at: [www.flocknote.com/marymotherofgodchurch](http://www.flocknote.com/marymotherofgodchurch) or text flockmmg to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates. Need help to set up your flocknote? Contact the church office.

**MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**HARRISON, ARKANSAS**

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday  |
|--|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| <b>May 29</b><br><i>Ascension of the Lord</i><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br><b>10 AM Bible Study</b><br>  | <b>May 30</b><br><br><b>NO MASS</b><br><br> | <b>May 31</b><br><i>Visitation of BVM</i><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br>5:30 PM Mass<br>++<br><b>3 PM Bible Study</b>              | <b>June 1, 2022</b><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br>5:30 PM Mass<br>++<br><b>5:30 PM Bible Study</b>                            | <b>June 2</b><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br>4:30 PM Legion of Mary<br>Mtg Behind Altar<br>++<br><b>6 PM Adult Choir<br/>with Handbells</b>   | <b>June 3</b><br><i>First Friday</i><br><br><b>8 AM Patriotic Rosary</b><br>8:30 AM Mass<br><b>9 AM Fatima Rosary</b>          | <b>June 4</b><br><i>First Saturday</i><br><br>8:10 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br><b>9 AM First Saturday<br/>Devotions</b><br>++<br>4:30 PM Rosary<br>5 PM Mass |
| <b>June 5</b><br><i>Pentecost Sunday</i><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br>Second Collection:<br>Maintenance Fund<br>++<br><b>10 AM Bible Study</b><br>++<br><b>2 PM BINGO TODAY</b><br>                                    | <b>June 6</b><br><br><b>NO MASS</b><br>++<br>Knights of Columbus<br>6:30 Fellowship Meal<br>7:30 PM Meeting                  | <b>June 7</b><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br>5:30 PM Mass<br>++<br><b>3 PM Bible Study</b>  | <b>June 8</b><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br><b>5:30 PM Mass</b><br>++<br><b>5:30 PM Bible Study</b>                           | <b>June 9</b><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>9 AM Rosary w/CCW<br>Coffee & Sweets Follow<br>in Parish Hall<br>++<br>4:30 PM Legion of Mary<br>Mtg Behind Altar<br>++<br><b>6 PM Adult Choir</b> | <b>June 10</b><br><br><b>8 AM Rosary</b><br>8:30 AM Mass<br><b>9 AM Fatima Rosary</b>  | <b>June 11</b><br><br>8:10 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br>4:30 PM Rosary<br>5 PM Mass   |
| <b>June 12</b><br><i>The Most Holy Trinity</i><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br><b>10 AM Bible Study</b><br>   | <b>June 13</b><br><br><b>NO MASS</b><br>++<br><b>Father Ben Riley<br/>Arrives!</b>   | <b>June 14</b><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br>5:30 PM Mass<br>++<br><b>3 PM Bible Study</b><br>++<br>6 PM CCW Mtg in<br>Parish Hall | <b>June 15</b><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br>5:30 PM Mass<br>++<br><b>5:30 PM Bible Study</b>                                 | <b>June 16</b><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br>4:30 PM Legion of Mary<br>Mtg Behind Altar<br>++<br><b>6 PM Adult Choir</b>   | <b>June 17</b><br><br><b>8 AM Rosary</b><br>8:30 AM Mass<br><b>9 AM Fatima Rosary</b>  | <b>June 18</b><br><br><b>NO 8:30 MASS</b><br>++<br>4:30 PM Rosary<br>5 PM Mass  |
| <b>June 19</b><br><i>The Most Holy Body<br/>And Blood of Christ</i><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br>Second Collection:<br>Church in Latin America<br>++<br><b>10 AM Bible Study</b><br>++<br><b>2 PM BINGO TODAY</b><br> | <b>June 20</b><br><br><b>NO MASS</b>   | <b>June 21</b><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br>5:30 PM Mass<br>++<br><b>3 PM Bible Study</b>   | <b>June 22</b><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br>5:30 PM Mass<br>++<br><b>5:30 PM Bible Study</b>                                 | <b>June 23</b><br><i>Nativity of John<br/>the Baptist</i><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br>4:30 PM Legion of Mary<br>Mtg Behind Altar   | <b>June 24</b><br><i>Most Sacred Heart<br/>of Jesus</i><br><br><b>8 AM Rosary</b><br>8:30 AM Mass<br><b>9 AM Fatima Rosary</b> | <b>June 25</b><br><i>Immaculate Heart of<br/>Blessed Virgin Mary</i><br><br>8:10 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br>4:30 PM Rosary<br>5 PM Mass               |
| <b>June 26</b><br><i>13th Sunday in Ordinary</i><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br><b>10 AM Bible Study</b>  | <b>June 27</b><br><br><b>NO MASS</b>   | <b>June 28</b><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br>5:30 PM Mass<br>++<br><b>3 PM Bible Study</b>   | <b>June 29</b><br><i>Sts. Peter &amp; Paul</i><br><br>5 PM Rosary<br>5:30 PM Mass<br>++<br><b>5:30 PM Bible Study</b> | <b>June 30</b><br><br>8 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br>++<br>4:30 PM Legion of Mary<br>Mtg Behind Altar  | <b>July 1, 2022</b><br><i>First Friday</i><br><br><b>8 AM Patriotic Rosary</b><br>8:30 AM Mass<br><b>9 AM Fatima Rosary</b>    | <b>June 2</b><br><i>First Saturday</i><br><br>8:10 AM Rosary<br>8:30 AM Mass<br><b>9 AM First Saturday<br/>Devotions</b><br>++<br>4:30 PM Rosary<br>5 PM Mass |

**PLEASE CHECK THE WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THIS CALENDAR.**



## JUNE 2022 MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

### 5 PM Saturday Mass

Rosary: Roy Arnold

Lector: Joan Lipsmeyer

E/M: Roy Arnold  
Wes Bradford

Servers: Jacob Bradford  
Matthew Bradford

Ushers: Everett Burr  
Chuck Draper  
Terry Draper

### 8:30 AM Sunday Mass

Rosary: Bob Lowery

Lector: Greg Jasper

E/M: Bob Lowery  
Mike Galligan  
Mary Billups

Servers: Keeley Culpepper

Ushers: Alvin Hanson  
Regina Hanson  
Gerry Gokenbach  
James Virnig

***If you are unable to serve, please find your replacement. Thank you.***

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

|                         |                               |                             |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| June 1 Shirley Ormond   | June 12 Brianna Bellinghausen | June 20 Krystal Hardaway    |
| June 2 Aurora Lampe     | June 13 Antonio Aldrete       | June 20 Jaque Radisch       |
| June 3 Donna Jamison    | June 13 Frank Frenzel, Jr.    | June 21 Joe Koenig          |
| June 3 Donna Terrell    | June 14 Lucia Krone           | June 23 Ayden Prochaska     |
| June 4 Mike Galligan    | June 16 Hannah Applegate      | June 23 Hilary Hocut        |
| June 4 Elijah Humphreys | June 16 Lincoln Chapman       | June 25 Alessandra Juanitos |
| June 5 Andrew Gratton   | June 16 David Hancock         | June 26 Virray Karlovic     |
| June 6 Dc. Mark Scouten | June 16 Isaac Jasper          | June 26 Amanda Woods        |
| June 7 Jennifer Porras  | June 17 Justin Dearing        | June 27 Charlotte Bray      |
| June 8 Bernice Rubio    | June 18 John Bray             | June 27 Gia Dowell          |
| June 9 Colin Klott      | June 18 Hayden Dearing        | June 30 Vanessa Caputo      |
| June 9 Kathleen Sparks  | June 18 Finley Nabors         | June 30 Duane Gomes         |
| June 10 Carol Bradford  | June 18 Ronald Rubio          | June 30 Luis Robles         |
| June 11 Velma Honeymann | June 19 Marta Ramirez         | June 30 Betty Stechly       |
| June 11 Zach Kelly      |                               | June 30 Franzine Taylor     |

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

|                                     |                                  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| June 2 David & Debra Fesenmyer      | June 11 Norman & Phillis Rottler |
| June 5 Tom & Barb Butler            | June 11 Phil & Linda Sides       |
| June 5 Fr. Jim Fanrak, 51st Anniv.  | June 12 John & Jana Putman       |
| June 5 Andrew & Lydia Gratton       | June 14 Ricardo & Shela Aldape   |
| June 6 Dexter & Mary Hatch          | June 18 Tom & Dianne Hoberock    |
| June 6 Dc. Mark & Elisabeth Scouten | June 19 Frank & Robbie Taheny    |
| June 7 Henry & Emy Adamos           | June 21 Rick & Anne Milburn      |
| June 7 Cary & Kelsey Nabors         | June 21 Val & Betty Stechly      |
| June 9 Nick & Summer Rykert         | June 24 Steve & Suzie Dardas     |
| June 10 Bryan & Nell Bonds          | June 26 Stacy & Laura Burge      |

## Joseph F. Koenig, C.P.A.

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### Are You Interested?

**YES!! We Need You!! YOU can be an active participant at Mary Mother of God Church! We want many people to volunteer so no one gets 'stuck' with certain ministries all the time!**

**Lector:** Read the Scripture readings during Mass.

**Rosary Leader:** Lead before Mass.

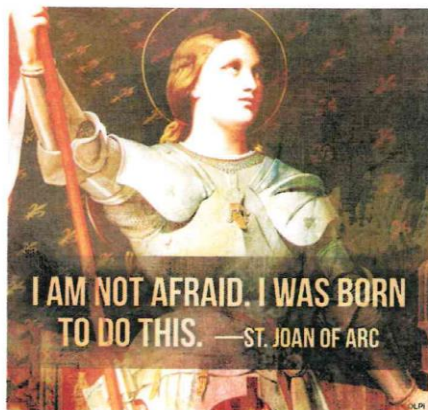
**Musician:** See or call Julie Jasper.

**Extraordinary Minister:** Distribute the Body of Christ during Communion.

**Altar Servers:** All youth who have celebrated their First Holy Communion.

**Usher:** Greet people, guide them to empty seats, hand out bulletins after Mass, check pews after Mass for debris or loose hymnals/missalettes.

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If you are married, I'm guessing that you know the best way to break bad news to your spouse, whether you realize it or not. Maybe it's simply that you know not to talk about the budget after your wife's football team has lost. Maybe you know your husband will take the news that your sister is coming to stay a little easier if you tell him over his favorite dinner. We do the same thing with our children, our friends, our coworkers — we have all learned the language of the people we love.

The truth is the same in every language, but it's important for us to convey that truth graciously. That's what Pentecost teaches us. The gift of being able to speak in tongues afforded the Apostles a practical skill to spread the Gospel message, but it also served as a powerful symbol of the importance of effective communication. Evangelization can only happen when you're speaking in words a person is able, ready, and willing to hear.

Let's ask ourselves: what is the language we need to speak to share the truth with the person who is standing in front of us? Is it the language of quality time? The language of concern? The language of laughter and friendship? The language of authenticity, of plain talk and frankness?

The Holy Spirit gave the Apostles the ability to speak in tongues, and it seems miraculous when we read about it in the Gospels — but only consider that we all have this same ability, in a certain way. The Holy Spirit can and will show us how to speak the truth, if we only ask.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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June 5, 2022

### WATCH

#### BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT & FIRE

Jesus came to baptize us in the Holy Spirit, and the power and grace that comes from baptism in the Holy Spirit changes lives. Explore the meaning of this sacrament in this episode of The Wild Goose!



### LEARN

#### FORMED NOW! DOES FAITH TAKE A VACATION?



As many of us embark on sunny vacations, it's important to make sure our faith remains front and center in our lives. Since it's easy for us to be distracted by the excitement of the summer rhythm, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Scott Hefelfinger discuss what we can do to make sure we don't let the spiritual life take a back seat.

### LISTEN

#### FAN OR FOLLOWER? YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS BY JEFF CAVINS

In this talk, Jeff Cavins shares how he has come to see that Jesus wants us to surrender every bit of our own comfort to follow Him. We are all fans of Jesus, but how many of us are truly his disciples?



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**Mary Mother of God Church – Harrison, AR – Fr. James Fanrak, Pastor / Deacon Mark Scouten**

Section 2: Narrative – How MMG Parish organized the consultations:

Parish organization leaders as well as volunteers at large were sought out to be facilitators and note-takers during the consultations.

Manageable-sized small groups were made available and gathered; usually offered after Masses, and at the regular meetings of the various parish organizations. Individual consultations were also held as requested.

The facilitators and note-takers recorded and summarized the conversations held at these meetings.

In addition, consultation questionnaires were sent to all registered households in the parish. Returns were recorded and summarized.

All input was synthesized by the parish secretary and committee. This formed the basis of this report.

Section 3: Top Three Revealing Discoveries:

- 1) The people of the parish do feel a part of the Church, and they do their “journeying together” as they are present and participate in the Mass, the Sacraments. They also “journey together” as they become involved in the ministries, organizations, gatherings, and socials that are done as a parish family.
- 2) The people of God, our parishioners, have a very positive and warm experience of how the Church is journeying with them. They feel welcomed, acknowledged, and valued as individuals within the parish. They sense that leadership is trying to care about them, about their welfare and needs. They feel that fellow parishioners are one with them as a family-like group. Parishioners sense that they can reach out to other parishioners in their time of need.
- 3) The people of Mary Mother of God Parish are thirsting for better and more reaching out to those who seem no longer to come to church, as well as to welcoming those who are searching for a church and spiritual family. They would also like to strengthen their bonds with the Lord and with one another through additional spiritual and corporal works of prayer, service, and fellowship.

Section 4: Most Common Observations:

- 1) About why parishioners do not come to church and about why they do not participate in Mass and other parish activities and groups
  - Illness, company, disabilities,
  - Distance from church, no transportation,
  - Irreverence during Mass,
  - Too many requests for money,
  - Pedophilia, scandal,
  - Priests and hierarchy stray from the authentic, traditional teachings of the Church,
  - Dissatisfaction with political leaders,
  - Covid,



#### Section 4: Most Common Observations:

- 1) Continued
  - Personal scheduling,
  - Very little talk about mortal sin, hell,
  - Validity of sacraments,
  - People's judgmental stance of others at Mass, Church
- 2) About what parishioners like and appreciate what's going at Mary Mother of God Parish:
  - Welcoming feeling, "family" feeling,
  - Spiritual environment, friendliness,
  - Rosary, extraordinary ministers,
  - New Pentecost Prayer Group
  - Scripture Study
  - The structure, the rituals, the prayers
  - Eucharistic Adoration
  - Availability of Confession
  - Knights of Columbus events
  - Legion of Mary, prayer and visiting
  - Corporal and Spiritual works
  - Very accommodating Mass schedule
  - Wonderful organization leaders
  - Pastor, deacon, sacristans, homilies
  - Livestreaming of Masses and events
  - Music Ministry, Youth Choir and Musicians
  - Trail Life Youth
  - PRE, Youth Ministry
  - Flocknotes, bulletins, prayer needs alert
  - List of those needing prayer in bulletin
  - Visits and Communion to homebound
  - Gospel is taught
  - Fellowship – sharing food
  - CCW (Catholic Christian Women)
  - Greeting card ministry
  - Kitchen ministry that builds connections and friendships
  - Simple, understandable teaching
  - Appreciate the bishop and hierarchy for their asking parishioners' thoughts
  - Church secretary
  - Use of parish hall for dinners, get-togethers, family events
  - Magnificat, Formed, EWTN
  - Spiritual Director
  - Caring and ministering when there's a death
  - Beautiful, well-kept gardens, lawns

3) About what parishioners want more of and what they want begun at MMG:

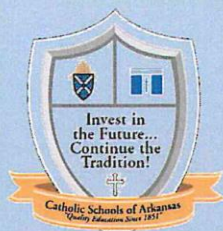
- Speak more about the good the Church does
- Communal Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Local theology study programs
- Pilgrimages to Holy Places
- Motivational speakers' resources
- Novenas, Missions, Cursillos
- Benedictions, Eucharistic Processions
- Communal Anointing of the Sick, Healing services
- Encourage Religious Orders (nuns, priests and brothers) to go back to religious habits, etc.
- That the Bishop visit more
- That the hierarchy speak more clearly about how to deal with public figures, political figures who vocally disagree with the authentic teaching of the Church
- Stronger evangelization committee
- More visible and active welcoming committee
- Get-togethers, coffees after Mass
- Socials for all the parish, meals
- Penance Services, Tridentine Rites, Tridentine Priests
- Restore lost Church traditions and rituals, separation of church and state
- Catholic issues study programs
- Empty-nester ministry
- More emphasis on Respect Life
- 6:30 or 7 PM Mass on Days of Obligation
- 4 PM Saturday Mass in Winter
- PRE, Sunday School after Sunday Mass; more emphasis on Youth Ministry
- That the Bishop and hierarchy be fully open, honest, and accountable about abuses, scandals
- More attention to homeless; saving the environment
- Make annulment process smoother
- Latin Mass once in a while
- Church teaching to be more appealing and inclusive, more definite and fixed rather than negotiable
- Young people to become more invited in, active in church
- Catholic parochial school
- Clearer, more definite, authentic Catholic teaching from bishops, pope, magisterium
- Against China government appointing bishops
- More frequent updated parish directory and pictures
- More about Centering prayer
- Laudato Si, Fratelli Tutti groups
- Life in the Spirit seminars
- Clearer teaching on homosexual, trans-sexual issues
- More publicity about the charitable works which the church does

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| <u>Ushers:</u>                                     | Yes / No        | Yes / No        | <hr/> <hr/>                |

Please complete and return to the church office or in next weekend's collection basket.  
**If you are new** to serving in any of these ministries, someone will contact you for a brief training meeting. Thank you!





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## ARKANSAS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIP APPEAL

November 13, 2021

Dear Parishioner,

Sadly, there are Catholic schools throughout the country closing due to the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. You can help prevent this from happening in Arkansas through your gift to the Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal. Our Catholic schools are facing a combination of financial challenges: decreased subsidy from parishes, cancelled fundraising events, and a greater need for financial assistance for families negatively affected by the pandemic.

The Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal is held annually to give tuition assistance to families with a demonstrated need. Catholic schools throughout the state submit applications on behalf of these families. Last year funds from the appeal provided tuition support to 79 students attending Arkansas Catholic schools with awards ranging from \$400 to \$1,500 per student.

Families who qualify are granted assistance through Parish subsidies, school fundraising, foundations, and individual donors. However, even with this financial support, a need still exists for more tuition aid. This year our calculated need is \$526,505. Please help us by donating to the Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal. Every dollar received from donations will be used to aid those in need of financial assistance.

Catholic schools are an integral part of the teaching mission of the Church because they assist parents in the important obligation of educating and forming their children through faith development. They provide a rigorous education, rooted in the Gospel, and rich in the cherished traditions and liturgical practices of our faith. Even in the midst of a pandemic, our schools are ensuring that students will have the foundation to live a moral and upright life to face the challenges brought by changes in the world today.

Thank you for your support of the Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship fund. Please keep our schools in your prayers.

Sincerely In Christ,

Most Reverend Anthony B. Taylor  
Bishop of Little Rock





# Arkansas Catholic Schools

## Scholarship Appeal



A Catholic education is a gift that serves the child, their family, and the community throughout their lifetime and beyond. The cost of tuition is a challenge to hundreds of our families who desire a Catholic education for their child. Parish subsidies, school fundraising, and foundations provide funds for financial assistance, but not enough.

All funds raised through this appeal go directly to an Arkansas Catholic school to provide tuition assistance to a family with a demonstrated financial need. Your gift will help keep these children in our Catholic schools. Please be generous, and remember our Catholic schools in your prayers.

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# St. Joseph

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The infant Christ “came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph” (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come.

While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to Joseph in a series of dreams how God’s plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, “God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child” (PC 5).

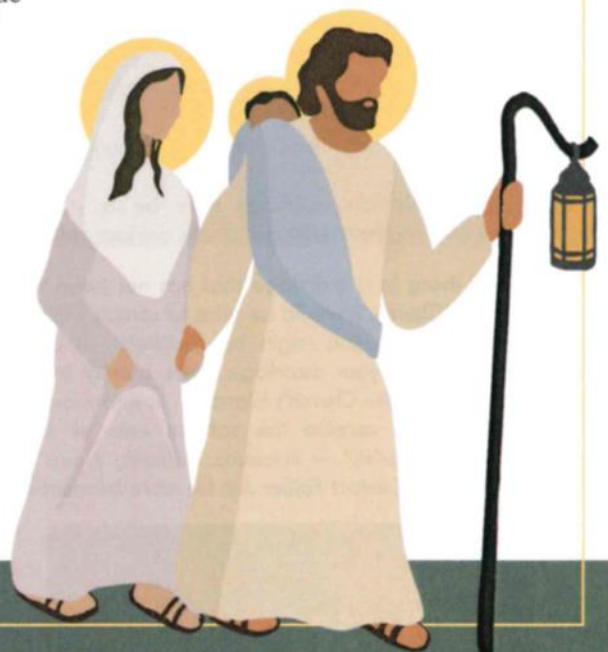
Dear St. Joseph,  
help us to  
imitate your  
faithful trust and  
courage.

Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, “in every situation, Joseph declared his own ‘fiat’” (PC 3). His “yes” to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph’s devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.

During this Year of St. Joseph, each of us can find in him “an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble” (PC, Intro). Joseph shows us how to say “yes” to life, despite our own fears, frailties, and weaknesses. For it is Joseph who was “chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true ‘miracle’ by which God saves the child and his mother” (PC 5).

May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life. Dear St. Joseph, you who were “able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence” (PC 5), help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage.

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Office of the Bishop

## DIOCESE OF LITTLE ROCK

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July 26, 2021

To the people of the Diocese of Little Rock,

I have recently been asked whether the Diocese of Little Rock should re-impose restrictions such as mandatory mask-wearing, physical distancing and disinfection of surfaces in response to the recent surge in COVID-19 cases in Arkansas, 85% of which involve the highly infectious Delta variant. It has been suggested that since only 40% of Arkansans have been vaccinated, we need to do something to protect the other 60%, many of whom could be vaccinated but refuse.

It is important to note that with the universal availability of effective vaccines, the present threat is much different from that which occasioned the restrictions when COVID-19 first became a threat. Now, other than people with a medical condition that disqualifies them, anyone above age 12 can readily be vaccinated at no cost to themselves. As for those below age 12, for whatever reason, there have been very few serious cases involving younger children who may have some degree of natural immunity. The vaccine is effective in preventing most infections, even of the Delta variant, and vaccinated people who do become ill generally experience a much milder case than otherwise. Moreover, the vaccines are the best way to minimize the degree to which the virus can keep mutating. The vaccine's connection with abortion-derived fetal cell lines is very remote and our cooperation with such acts via receiving the vaccine is passive (no active cooperation) and so the Vatican has declared their use "morally acceptable" given the grave danger of the pandemic. Therefore, everyone who can be vaccinated has been repeatedly and strongly encouraged to do so—not only by me, but also even by Pope Francis—and so in the end, those who fail to do so have to be willing to accept the consequences of their decision. Diocesan policy will not be dictated by those who despite strong and clear encouragement, refuse to take the necessary steps to protect themselves and others. So for now, the only restriction that remains in place diocesan-wide is that the Precious Blood will continue not to be distributed to the faithful at Mass.

Having said that, given the principle of subsidiarity, individual parishes are free to take steps to address the threat locally. This could include making mask-wearing mandatory at one of their Masses, or setting aside one section of the nave for physical distancing and the exclusive use of mask-wearing participants.

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*What does Music Ministry mean to me?*

"Singing in church has been an important part of my life for as long as I can remember. It was such a natural routine for me that I would feel as if I had not participated in Mass if no singing was involved. Music ministry continues to be a meaningful part of my life even as a senior member of the parish. It is only through God's blessings that I continue in this ministry and gain a greater connection to my fellow choir members and our church congregation. I would strongly encourage others who appreciate music during church services to seriously consider giving music ministry a try."—Kevin Cheri (Adult Choir member)

"I like singing in the church choir because it lets me glorify God in a way that I enjoy. I also like the choir because it makes me feel peaceful especially when I am singing about God."—Eliana & Charlize Adamos (Youth Choir members)

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**If you are interested in sharing your musical talents, contact**  
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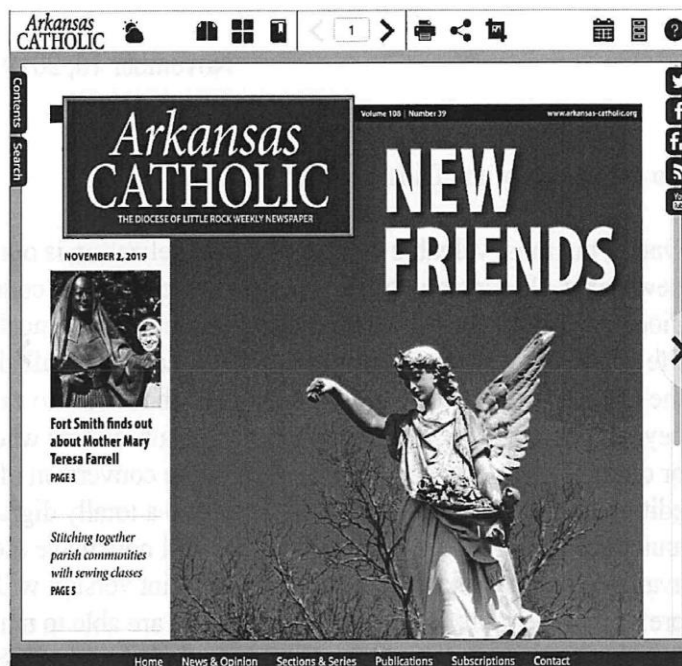
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# MAJOR CHANGES TO SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM!!!



**In the Diocese of Little Rock,  
Beginning July 1, 2017:**

**WHO** must do safe environment training and background checks:

**1) Employees**

**2) Volunteers with Routine Contact w/ Minors**

- a. This includes only volunteers who have routine contact with minors as an essential part of their volunteer duties.
- b. Volunteers who do not have routine contact with minors as an essential part of their duties do not have to do safe environment training or background checks.

**WHAT** training programs:

**“CMG Connect”** → online training for **adults**  
(<http://www.dolr.org/safe-environment>)  
(or directly at: <https://littlerock.CMGconnect.org>)

**“Circle of Grace”** → in-classroom training for **children/youth**

We will no longer use VIRTUS’s “Protecting God’s Children” or “Touching Safety.”  
Instead, we will use products supported by **Catholic Mutual Group (CMG)**.

All data from VIRTUS will be moved over to CMG Connect. No one who has already done safe environment training and a background check will have to re-do anything at this time. Users who are due for a 5-year recertification will be notified how to do that by their parish/school safe environment coordinator, who will also have info on both new programs.