

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 Ben 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.

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Please contact Father Ben.

MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Wedding Coordinator:	Bonnie Taue
Welcome New Catholics (RCIA).	Wayne & Judy Keit

NEW IN PARISH To register in the parish, please fill out the form below.
To register in the purish, please this 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

2023 WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 27

4:30 PM Rosary & Confessions

5:00 PM MASS: +Wayne & Lois Norvell

Sunday May 28 - Pentecost Sunday

8:00 AM Rosary & Confessions 8:30 AM MASS: SI – All Parishioners

Monday, May 29 - Memorial Day - NO MASS

Tuesday, May 30

5:00 PM Rosary & Confessions

5:30 PM MASS: +Edward Reiling, 1st Anniv. (6-9)

Wednesday, May 31 – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30 PM Evening Prayer & Confessions

5:15 PM Adoration & Benediction

5:30 PM MASS: SI – Alexis Cecilia Scott

Thursday, June 1

8:00 AM Rosary & Confessions 8:30 AM MASS: +Mary Hatch

First Friday. June 2

8:00 AM Patriotic Rosary & Confessions

8:30 AM MASS: +Jovceline Boudreaux, 2nd Anniv.

9:00 AM Fatima Rosary

First Saturday, June 3 8:10 AM Rosarv

8:30 AM MASS: SI – Jared Chua

9:00-10:00 Confessions

4:30 PM Rosary & Confessions

5:00 PM MASS: +Father Jim Fanrak

Sunday June 4 – The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 AM Rosary & Confessions

8:30 AM MASS: SI – Andrew, Lydia & Vittoria Gratton



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 <u>before</u> all Daily and Saturday/Sunday Masses or by appointment.

ONLINE BULLETINS for Mary Mother of God Church and St. Andrew's Church may be found at **harrisoncatholic.org**.

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

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR – LET US ALL SHARE THE JOY OF SERVING THE LORD!! Please sign up as soon as possible. If you are new to serving, please contact the church office or fill in your chosen ministry on the back of the bulletin, drop it in the collection basket, and someone will contact you for a brief training session.



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 or text flockmmg to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates. Need help to set up your flocknote? Contact the church office.

CEMETERY FLOWERS – It is very windy on our church property. Please secure your saddles and any flowers with fishing line.

The Easter Books Have Finally Arrived! "This Is My Body – A Call to Eucharistic Revival" by Bishop Robert Barron is available in the vestibule. Please, one copy per family.

The Legion of Mary will meet on Thursdays <u>at 3:30 PM</u> in the Altar Server Sacristy (room behind the altar). It is an open meeting and everyone is welcome to attend and pray with us.

NO CHOIR THIS WEEK - SUMMER SCHEDULE RETURNS!



Extraordinary Ministers' Training with Fr. Ben and Dc. Mark will be this Friday, June 2 at 5 PM. All current E/M's and those who would like to become an E/M are encouraged to attend! Current E/M's will receive their E/M certificates and cards.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION - SATURDAY, JUNE 3RD - 9 AM ADORATION HOUR - IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING 8:30 AM MASS

A NEW BIBLE STUDY BEGINS IN JULY – Psalms: The School of Prayer from Ascension Press begins Sunday, July 9 at 10 AM and Tuesday, July 11 at 3 PM. This is an 11-week study. You may sign up by contacting the church office with your name, phone number, email address, and the class day you will attend. Sign-up dates are next Sunday, June 4 through June 18. The books will be ordered on Monday, June 19 so they will be delivered in time. Contact Tom Hoberock at 870-688-1202 for more info.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

May 28: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 / Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b / Ez 37:1-14 /

JI 3:1-5 / Rom 8:22-27 / Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3h-7, 12-13 / Jn 20:19-23

May 29: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 / Jn 19:25-34

May 30: Sir 35:1-12 / Mk 10:28-31

May 31: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16 / Lk 1:39-56

Jun 1: Sir 42:15-25 / Mk 10:46-52 Jun 2: Sir 44:1, 9-13 / Mk 11:11-26 Jun 3: Sir 51:12cd-20 / Mk 11:27-33

Jun 4: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 / 2 Cor 13:11-13 / Jn 3:16-18

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - ADORERS NEEDED!!!

"In the Eucharist we have Jesus, we have his redemptive sacrifice, we have his Resurrection, we have the gift of the Holy Spirit, we have adoration, obedience, and love of the Father. Were we to disregard the Eucharist, how could we overcome our own deficiency?" St. John Paul II Call Carmen at 305-815-1795 to schedule a time. The following hours are available:

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

Monday @ 7 AM & 1 PM

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

Wednesday @ 11 AM, 1 PM & 4 PM

Thursday @ 1 PM, 3 PM & 4 PM

Friday @ Noon & 1 PM

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



2023 Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal (CASA) - To date, our parishioners have given \$4,804 or 22.9% 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.

SIGN UP TODAY!! The Offertory Gift Bearers have the privilege of bringing to the altar the bread, wine, and water that will be miraculously transformed into the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We encourage you, or you and your family, to participate in this ministry; consider a birthday or anniversary date. Sign-up sheets are in the Gift Bearer binder in the vestibule.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – FREE Father's Day BBQ in the Parish Hall following the June 17th 5 PM Mass!! Movie Night featuring "Running the Bases" will follow. More details next week!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS – Military & Emergency Personnel. Veterans, Victims of Natural Disasters, COVID-19, Terrorism and War, Vocations, Aubrey/Audrey, Donnie Billups, Shari Broscovak, Betty Burge, Brian Coffman, Donald Coffman, Larry/Rita Coffman, Jim/Karen Conner, Sally Conner, David Decker, Ruth Deischer, Wayne Dixon, Lisa Eastridge, John Forrest, Casey Gibbs, Lorraine Gokenbach, Ed Griggs, Bill/Levi/Ruth Haley, Pete Hartman, Waylen/Preston Hetrick, Dianne Hoberock, Chris Jasper, Caven James Keith, Mary Koenig, +Jeff Lamboy, Martha Lamboy, Brian Long, Courtney Martin, Beth Nelson, Eliska Pollock, Jacob/Jaxson Rivera, Nick Rykert, Ed Servis, Phil Sides, Margaret Smith, Mike/Margie Stephen, Loretta Tarochione, Linda Utaski, Rita Ward, Jimmie Wells, Gary Wilcox, Jean Williams, John Zollo. Our Nursing Home Residents: David Allen, Mary Allen, Terry Bodson, Steve Crawford, Jackie Jaworski, Lylia Laffoon, Bonnie Lundblad, Bill May, Bob/Diane Patterson, Jaque Radisch, Dan Roberts, Giovanna Sandri, Billie Signer, Liz Smalley. Please keep our list current by notifying the office to add/delete names.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Saint Teresa of Calcutta says, "Every single moment you spend before the Blessed Sacrament, in love, increases the glory you will have in heaven, forever!"

Thank you if you are already a registered, faithful Adorer of the Holy Eucharist.

If you would like to register, either for the first time or to return, please write to g.carmen.8786@gmail.com to let us know what day would be best for you. Our weekly bulletin shows the days and hours that are currently available. A brief meeting to impart guidelines will be scheduled.

If you have any questions, call Carmen at 305-815-1795.



Catholic Cemetery Gravesites are available to purchase from a Cemetery Committee representative. Gravesites are \$500 each. A monthly payment plan is available. If

four or more gravesites are purchased at the same time, a 10% discount is applied, and the cost is \$450 per gravesite. Any questions, call Marlene Rowe at 365-0236.

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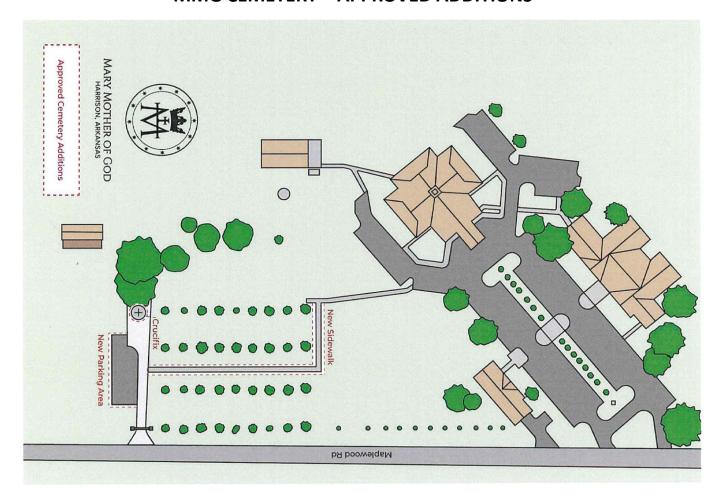
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	HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!
June 1	Shirley Ormond
June 2	Aurora Lampe, Dallas Smith
June 3	Donna Jamison, Donna Terrell
June 4	Mike Galligan, Elijah Humphreys
June 5	Andrew Gratton
June 6	Dc. Mark Scouten
June 7	Donald Coffman, Jennifer Porras
June 8	Bernice Rubio
June 9	Colin Klott, Kathleen Sparks
June 10	Carol Bradford
June 11	Velma Honeymann, Zach Kelly
June 12	Brianna Bellinghausen
June 13	Antonio Aldrete, Frank Frenzel, Jr.
June 14	Lucia Krone, Marilyn Muller
June 16	Hannah Applegate, Lincoln Chapman, Pete
	DeStefano, David Hancock, Isaac Jasper
June 17	Justin Dearing
June 18	Hayden Dearing, Finley Nabors, Ronald Rubio
June 19	Marta Ramirez
June 20	Krystal Hardaway, Jaque Radisch
June 21	Joe Koenig
June 23	Lincoln Eddings
June 25	Braden Charlton, Alessandra Juantos
June 26	Virray Karlovic, Amanda Woods
June 27	Charlotte Bray, Gia Dowell
June 30	Vanessa Engel, Luis Robles,
	Betty Stechly, Franzine Taylor
	HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!
June 2	David & Debra Fesenmyer
June 5	Tom & Barb Butler, Andrew & Lydia Gratton
June 6	Dc. Mark & Elisabeth Scouten
June 7	Henry & Emy Adamos, Cary & Kelsey Nabors
June 9	Nick & Summer Rykert
June 10	Bryan & Nell Bonds
June 11	Norman & Phillis Rottler, Phil & Linda Sides
June 12	John & Jana Putman
June 14	Ricardo & Shela Aldape
June 15	Bryan & Karena Charlton
June 16	Sam & Codie McKnight
June 18	Tom & Dianne Hoberock
June 19	Frank & Robbie Taheny
June 21 June 24	Rick & Anne Milburn, Val & Betty Stechly Steve & Suzie Dardas
June 24 June 26	
Julie 20	Stacy & Laura Burge

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. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

MMG CEMETERY – APPROVED ADDITIONS



- The Mary Mother of God Cemetery renovation will include: extending the existing sidewalk through the center of the cemetery, paving the road, and adding a crucifix with meditation benches.
- Thankfully, through your generous support over the years, our parish has the funds to begin construction once we finalize the plans and get bids.
- To ensure our parish continues being a good steward of our resources, we need to offset the cost of the renovation with a capital campaign.
- Please prayerfully consider donating by visiting the new "giving" tab on our parish website www.harrisoncatholic.com or simply use your cellphone camera to scan the QR code to the right.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31	June 1, 2023	June 2	June 3
Pentecost Sunday	Memorial Day				First Friday	First Saturday
8 AM Rosary	NO MASS	5 PM Rosary	4:30 PM Evening Prayer	8 AM Rosary	8 AM Patriotic Rosary	8:10 AM Rosary
8:30 AM Mass		5:30 PM Mass	& Confessions	8:30 AM Mass	8:30 AM Mass	8:30 AM Mass
RECEIVE			5:15 PM Benediction 5:30 PM Mass	++ 3:30 PM Legion of Mary	9 AM Fatima Rosary	9-10 AM Confessions 9 AM First Saturday
THE			3.30114114133	Mtg Behind Altar	5 PM Extraordinary	Devotions
HOLY SPIRIT!				++	Minister Training w/	++
	MEMORIAL DAY			NO Adult Choir - Summer Schedule Begins	Fr. Ben & Dc. Mark	4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass
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June 4 Holy Trinity	June 5	June 6	June 7	June 8	June 9	June 10
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++		Knights of Columbus		9 AM Rosary w/CCW	9 AM Fatima Rosary	
Second Collection:		6:30 Fellowship Meal		Coffee/Sweets Follow		
Maintenance Fund		7:30 PM Meeting		in Parish Hall ++		
Sign-Up: New Bible				3:30 PM Legion of Mary	Volunteer Day @ The	
Study Psalms				Mtg Behind Altar	Narrow Way Farm	
++ 2 PM BINGO					& Ranch - Yellville See Bulletin for Details	
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June 11	June 12	June 13	June 14	June 15	June 16	June 17
The Most Holy Body &	Julie 12	Julie 15	Julie 14	Julie 15	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	Julie 17
Blood of Christ					,	
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Sign-Up: New Bible			5:15 PM Benediction	Mtg Behind Altar		FREE BBQ Pork w/Sides
Study Psalms			5:30 PM Mass			& Movie Night in Hall "Running the Bases" (PG)
						More InfoSee Bulletin
June 18	June 19	June 20	June 21	June 22	June 23	June 24
11th Sunday in Ordinary						
8 AM Rosary	NO MASS	5 PM Rosary	4:30 PM Evening Prayer	8 AM Rosary	8 AM Rosary	4:30 PM Rosary
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HAPPY						Narrow Way Farm & Ranch - Yellville
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VACATIO		HOOL Sunday	thru Thursday	STELLAR	Steel Creek in Jasper	5 PM Mass
		5:50 PM Supper :30 PM Activities		PRIME JERRY, FICERT		
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	PLEAS	E CHECK YOUR WEEK	LY BULLETIN FOR POS	SIBLE CHANGES TO THIS	CALENDAR.	

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR: JUNE 2023

Rosary:

5 PM Saturday Mass 8:30 AM Sunday Mass

Rosary:

Roy Arnold

Lector: Wes Bradford Lector: John Duncan

E/M: E/M: Roy Arnold **Bob Lowery**

> Renae Whiteside Mary Billups

Mike Galligan

Bob Lowery

Ushers: **Everett Burr** Ushers: Alvin Hanson

> Chad Coffman Regina Hanson Chuck Draper Gerry Gokenbach Terry Draper James Virnig

ALTAR SERVERS: JUNE 3, 2023 TO JULY 2, 2023

June 3: Book/Cross: Jacob Bradford June 4: Thurifer: Lily Pinson

Candle: Erin Culhane Book/Cross: Jacob Simon Candle: Landon Snyder Candle: June Simon

Candle: Michael Adamos

Book/Cross: Thurifer: June 10: **Zeke Humphreys** June 11: Isaac Jasper

> Candle: Matthew Bradford Book/Cross: Julia McFadden Candle: Adam Coffman Candle: Daniel McFadden

Candle: Liam Lampe

June 17: Book/Cross: Landon Snyder June 18: Thurifer: Jacob Simon

> Candle: Jacob Bradford Book/Cross: June Simon Candle: Erin Culhane Candle: Logan Eddings

Candle: Kori Eddings

June 24: Book/Cross: Matthew Bradford June 25: Thurifer: Lily Pinson

> Candle: Zeke Humphreys Book/Cross: Michael Adamos Candle: Adam Coffman Candle: Josselyn Huddleston

Candle: Liam Lampe

July 1: Book/Cross: Erin Culhane Thurifer: July 2: Isaac Jasper

Candle: Book/Cross: Landon Snyder Julia McFadden Candle: Jacob Bradford Candle: Daniel McFadden

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Pentecost Sunday—May 28, 2023

I hope you'll acknowledge with me a simple fact: it's not normal to have tongues of fire "part

Contact a Knight for More Details

and come to rest" on people. It is actually pretty strange. Yet that is precisely what we celebrate in this feast of Pentecost. How can this mean something to us in our daily lives? Jews had a tradition that heaven is a temple made of bricks of fire. So, through the apostles, the heavenly temple is coming to earth. But this fire looks like tongues, not bricks. That means that heavenly speech will be crucial to building a dwelling place for God on earth among men and women. So, it's no surprise when the apostles begin to speak in a miraculous

way that is understood by all language groups. They are speaking of what God has done in and through Jesus: bringing heaven to earth and uniting all peoples to God and to each other.

How often our speech divides: gossip, slander, insults, and so on. How strange and rare it is when people speak in ways that truly unite instead of divide. Imagine how powerful it would be if you and I began to speak at home, at work, and in our community in a way that made people hear heavenly speech. Imagine if you spoke of the mighty deeds of God in a way that everyone could understand. That's precisely what the Holy Spirit descends upon us to do. Ask Him to come as a tongue of fire to you once again, and He will. Then speak!

Father John Muir

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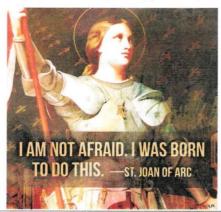
Are You Interested?

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 Body & Blood 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.

If so, call the church office!



In Memory of Newt & Ruth Foster



Week of May 28, 2023



God's Love Poured Out | Episode 1

During the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we remember a fundamental pillar of our Faith: "God is love" (1 Jn 4:8). This simple statement is the beginning and the ending of our pilgrimage of Faith. In this episode of The Wild Goose, join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he illuminates God's eternal pouring out of Love.



The Journey: Trinity, Faith

The Bible reveals the mystery of who God is: God is love. God created us out of love, died for us out of love, and invites us on a journey of faith in which we live in his love. In this study, we'll look at the God who is Love and how that love shows itself in the Trinity and the Faith.



Joyful Mysteries

As we celebrate the Visitation this week, we invite you to pray the Joyful Mysteries alongside this spoken Rosary set to music. Enter into some of the most joy-filled moments of Our Lord Jesus Christ's life, alongside the Blessed Virgin, through this devotional prayer and accompanying Scripture passages.

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JOURNEYING TOGETHER SYNODAL REPORT TO THE DIOCESE OF LITTLE ROCK 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

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR SIGN-UP SHEET

MINISTRIES	Sat Mass	Sun Mass	Name & Phone #:
Rosary Leader:	Yes / No	Yes / No	
<u>Lectors:</u>	Yes / No	Yes / No	
Extraordinary (Communion) <u>Minister</u> :	Yes / No	Yes / No	
<u>Altar Servers</u> :	Yes / No	Yes / No	
<u>Ushers</u> :	Yes / No	Yes / No	

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!



Informed Choices ministry exists to evangelize, encourage and empower men/women in making life affirming choices.

Informed Choices provides:

- Pregnancy Testing
- Pregnancy options education
- · Healthy pregnancy education
- Limited ultrasounds
- Post abortion recovery
- Referrals for
 - Pre-natal care
 - Social services
 - Adoption
- Parenting Skills
 - Support mothers & fathers beyond pregnancy
 - "Earn While You Learn" program where clients earn items and resources to provide a healthy environment for their child

WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT THIS MINISTRY

- PRAYER PARTNER
- FINANCIAL SUPPORTER
 - One Time Gifts
 - · Monthly Gift
- DONATE ITEMS
- VOLUNTEER
 - Men/Women
 Volunteers
 - Youth Group Service Projects: yard work, sort baby items
- PROMOTE & PARTICIPATE
 - Baby Bottle Campaign
 - Annual Banquet(s)
 - 100-Hole Golf Marathon
 - Community Events

CURRENT NEEDS

- Diapers sizes 1&2
- New baby items
- New (unused) car seats



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715 W Sherman, Harrison 870-280-3169 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday Closed Wednesdays

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Do you love to sing? Do you love to make music for the Lord? IS GOD CALLING YOU TO MUSIC MINISTRY?

<u>Adult Choir</u>—The Adult Choir meets every Thursday at 6:00pm and sings at the Sunday 8:30am Mass and other Holy Days of Obligation, as well as Advent and Lent concerts.

<u>Youth Choir</u>—The Youth Choir consists of students grades K-12. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm immediately following PREP class. They sing at the scheduled Youth Masses throughout the academic year. Hand chimes and other instruments are used, as well.

Hand Bell Choir—The Handbell Choir meets on Monday evenings at 6PM and plays at approximately 7 Masses throughout the year and other parish events.

<u>Silver Bells</u>—Silver Bells is a group, specifically for the senior members of our parish. Opportunities for food, fellowship, and fun are guaranteed!

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. I 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)

"I have been a part of this amazing handbell group since it started three years ago. Even though I do have a music background, I find playing handbells challenging. Instead of playing all the notes in a song, each bell is a part of the whole that makes the music. I am thankful that I have been able to use my talents to bring more to our Mass celebration. Being a part of our music ministry has been a blessing to me."—Bonnie Tauer (Hand Bell Choir member)

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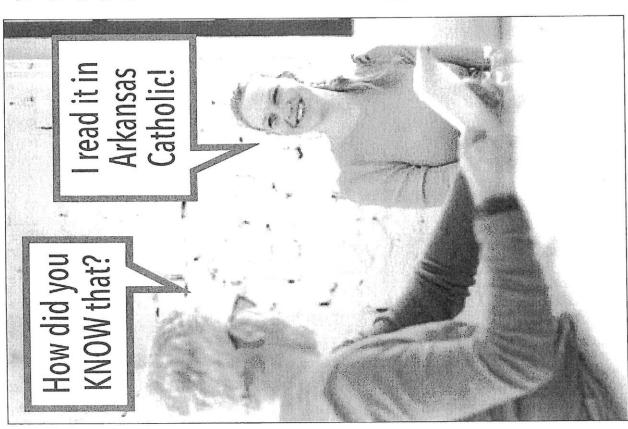
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MAJOR CHANGES TO SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM!!!



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 <u>not</u> have routine contact with minors as an essential part of their duties do <u>not</u> 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 <u>no longer use VIRTUS's</u> "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.