

## **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 acts of faith, hope and love in our families, in our parish, in our work places 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.

## TRANSPORTATION TO SATURDAY 5 PM MASS

If you live within the Harrison city limits and need a ride to 5 PM Saturday Mass, please call Cathy Phipps at 870-416-9357 by Friday.

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

Please contact Father Jim.

## MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Julie Maguire
David Durand
Julie Jasper
Audrey Charbonneau
Beverly Frankowski
Carla Zavala
Julie Maguire
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## **NEW IN PARISH**

Welcome New Catholics (RCIA):

Teresa Rotkowski

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

## 2017 WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

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Saturday,	January 21
4:30 PM	Rosary: Led by Knights of Columbus
5:00 PM	MASS: SI - Tommy & Vikki Hudson
Sunday,	January 22 – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	Rosary: Led by CCW
8:30 AM	YOUTH MASS: SI – Spiritually Adopted Babies
Monday,	January 23 – NO MASS – Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Tuesday,	January 24
5:15 PM	Evening Prayer
5:30 PM	MASS: +Patrick Kusick
Wednesday,	January 25 - The Conversion of St. Paul
5:15 PM	Evening Prayer
5:30 PM	MASS: SI - Hal Saunders
Thursday,	January 26
8:15 AM	Morning Prayer
8:30 AM	MASS: +Thomas Edgmon
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Friday,	January 27
8:15 AM	Morning Prayer
8:30 AM	MASS: +Joe Dezort
Saturday,	January 28
8:10 AM	Rosary
8:30 AM	MASS: +Gertrude Dress
4:30 PM	Rosary: Led by Knights of Columbus
5:00 PM	MASS: SI – Roger Dickey, Health
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Sunday,	January 29 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	Rosary: Led by CCW
8:30 AM	MASS: SI – All Parishioners

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> CONFESSIONS ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE one-half hour <u>before</u> all Daily and Saturday/Sunday Masses or by appointment.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS - All men and women in

the military · Victims of Natural Disasters & Terrorism · Mary Allen · Charlotte Amrhein · Carla Tuttle Bailey · Barb · Carl Bell · Paula Bellinghausen · Jim Brain · Shari Broscovak · Andy Brown · Rachel Callahan-West · Tom/Mary Clark · Maureen Cline · Donald Coffman · Jim Conner · Salvadore D'Amico · Mel Dezort · Len/Angela Ernhart · Newt Foster · Barb Fraizer · Marie Gaston · Linda Glover · Mary Goralski · Leo Gotsky · Edmund Griggs · Gary Grisham · Dianne Hoberock · Susan Houston · Janice Humbarger · Walt/Connie Israel · Chris Jasper · Virray Karlovic · Tricia Kensinger · Joe/Mary Koenig · Sylvia LaFrancis · Anna Marie Leimberg · +Patricia Long · Ann May · Jody Mellien · Nikki Patten · Mel/Eliska Pollock · Bryce Pratt · Maezeatta Ramsey · Melvin Raney · Reding Family · Ron Rotkowski · Norm Rowe · Vita Saville · Faye Schneider · Ed Servis · Billie Signer · Bob Stephens · Loretta Tarochione · Jean Williams. Please contact the office to add/delete any names.



**REST IN PEACE** – Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of +Josephine Falterman, mother of Darlene Coffman, who died on January 20. Please remember +Josie and her family in your prayers.



**BINGO THIS SUNDAY!** Invite a friend to bingo on **Sunday, January 22,** at 2 PM. Doors open at 1 PM. Proceeds benefit local charities. <u>Participants must be 18 years of age or older.</u>

Right to Life Baby Bottle Campaign – "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart."

Jeremiah 1:5 – Help the Knights of Columbus support Right to Life by filling your baby bottle with change, dollar bills, or check. Any amount will help. Please return your bottle to the church by February 5. All monies collected will be given to the Pregnancy Crisis Center. Thank you.



## **MUSIC MINISTRY**

MMG Ding-Dongers will meet this Monday at 6 PM. Youth Choir will meet this Wednesday at 7:30 PM. Adult Sunday Choir will meet this Thursday at 6:30 PM.



## PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) -

This Wednesday's schedule:

5:15 PM Evening Prayer

5:30 PM MASS - Led by Kind. & 2nd Grade

6:00 PM Dinner for PREP Families

6:30-7:30 PM Classes

The Legion of Mary meets every Thursday at 6 PM in the Altar Server Sacristy (room behind the church altar). It is an open meeting and everyone is welcome to attend and pray with us.

Adult Scripture Study will continue the remaining five weeks of The Acts of Apostles beginning today, Sunday, January 22, following Mass; Tuesday, January 24 at 3 PM; and Wednesday January 25 at 6 PM. A few books are available from the first 5-week study. If you have any questions, call Tom Hoberock at 741-7331. Please complete Lesson 5 prior to the first class.

## **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - ADORERS NEEDED!**

**He welcomes all visitors!** Jesus will spend all eternity thanking you and loving you in heaven for your faithful commitment on earth of spending one hour each week with Him in the Blessed Sacrament. Call the Legion of Mary or church office if you can help.

Sunday @ 11 AM, Noon, 1 PM, 2 PM & 4 PM Monday @ Noon, 1 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM & 7 PM Tuesday @ 2 PM, 3 PM & 4 PM Thursday @ Noon, 4 PM, 6 PM & 7 PM Friday @ 6 PM Saturday @ 11 AM, Noon, 1 PM, 2 PM & 6 PM



SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY - The Annual Black and Indian Mission Collection is the first national collection, authorized by the U.S. bishops in 1884. Next Sunday, our parish will take up the annual Collection for Black and Indian Missions. Our financial contribution helps support Catholic American Indian communities on reservations, in rural areas and inner cities. The collection also supports African American schools and evangelization programs, particularly in the south. With open hearts let us unite ourselves with the love of Christ in supporting the Black and Indian Mission Collection. For more info, visit www.blackandindianmission.org.



MARCH FOR LIFE – Please pray for the safety of all who are participating in today's March for Life in Little Rock and Fayetteville; and most especially for the protection of all vulnerable life. We begin by changing hearts and minds, one heart at a time, one mind at a time.

#### ADOPT-A-BABY PROGRAM

Everyone loves the beauty and innocence of a baby. As an expression of that love, the members of our parish family will have the opportunity this weekend to "spiritually" adopt a child who is newly conceived this month. You see, not all newly conceived babies are allowed to be born. In fact, almost 4,000 babies lose their lives to abortion each day. It is these babies who are in danger of having their lives ended before birth that you are being asked to "adopt".

You may "adopt" a child individually or as a family by obtaining an adoption card in the vestibule. You are asked to name the child for whom you will be praying, thereby giving the baby the humanity he or she deserves. Please take your card home with you and pray for your unborn child and for all the unborn children, for the power of prayer is great.

You will find monthly reports in the church bulletin describing your baby's development until your child is born in October.

There are millions of unborn babies desperately in need of your prayers. Won't you please "spiritually adopt" one and share the love for life that God has given you.



PRAYER OF BISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN
Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
I love you very much.
I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child
that I have spiritually adopted
who is in danger of abortion. AMEN.

## PRAYER TO END ABORTION

Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, And for the lives of all my brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing That destroys more life than abortion,

Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death

By the Resurrection of Your Son.

I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.

Today I commit myself

Never to be silent, never to be passive, Never to be forgetful of the unborn. I commit myself to be active in the Pro-Life movement,

And never to stop defending life
Until all my brothers and sisters are protected,

And our nation once again becomes
A nation with liberty and justice
Not just for some, but for all,
Through Christ our Lord, AMEN!

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 consider participating in this ministry. A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule.

If you have any questions, see an usher.

The 2017 Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference will be Saturday, February 4, from 9AM-4PM, at Christ the King Church in Little Rock. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Anthony Taylor at 7:50AM, followed by presenters, Bishop Michael Duca from the Diocese of Shreveport, and Steve Angrisano, a well-known Catholic evangelist. Your \$40 registration fee includes a light breakfast and lunch. For more info, visit ARCatholicMen.com. Contact Robin in the church office if you are interested in going.

**The Diocesan Tribunal** - It is the mission of the Diocesan Tribunal to hear the cases of those who are divorced and who are petitioning the Church to make judgment on the possible invalidity of their marriage, due to some impediment, inadequate consent or the inability to fulfill the duties of the married state. The Tribunal makes every effort to carry out its pastoral ministry in this process.

Petitions for decrees of nullity may be obtained from recognized Diocesan Tribunal advocates. These persons are specially trained in this work. Please contact our local advocates, **Deacon Mark Scouten at 741-1579**, or Teresa Rotkowski at 577-7018, for more information and the necessary paperwork in order to present a petition.

"If anyone is living in a marriage that has not been recognized by the Catholic Church, it would be wise to consult with a priest to see whether that situation might be rectified. It could be as simple as repeating your marriage vows quietly in front of a priest and receiving the Church's blessing. In that way, one would become eligible to receive the sacraments of the Church, especially the Eucharist." — Arkansas Catholic, Nov. 14, 2015, Father Ken Doyle Contact Father Jim for more information.

CONFIRMATION – FOR ADULTS – SEAL OF THE SPIRIT,
GIFT OF THE FATHER - Confirmation deepens the
presence of the Spirit who comes to us in this
sacrament. Confirmation is meant to sustain us in a
lifetime of witness to Christ and of service to others.

Baptized adults who have not been confirmed and want to be confirmed April 2, 2017, 2 PM, at Mary Mother of God Church by Bishop Anthony Taylor, please register with Robin in the church office as soon as possible.

MARRIED COUPLES: Worn out from the Holidays? Are you looking for a way to avoid the January blahs? How about a special weekend, just for the two of you? Register for your weekend away today! The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are at Subiaco, Arkansas, February 10-12, and at Memphis-Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center, April 28-30. Space is limited. For more information or to apply call Ben & Leah Brewer at 501-733-1235 or email apply@arkansaswwme.org or apply online at www.arkansaswwme.org/apply.

POST-ABORTION SUPPORT GROUP: Do you feel alone, hurting or unforgiven from a past abortion? The Respect Life Office, through Project Rachel, is starting a support group, beginning February 13. The spiritual journey lasts 11 weeks, with small groups of 6-8. Groups will be formed in Little Rock, Fayetteville/Rogers, and the Hot Springs area. All names and meeting places are strictly confidential. For details call 501-664-0340, ext. 357. All inquiries must be made by February 13.

**2017 CATHOLIC CALENDARS** are available in the vestibule. Please, only one per family. Many thanks to Holt Memorial Chapel for providing these calendars to our parishioners.

# MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH HARRISON, ARKANSAS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 25	December 26	December 27	December 28	December 29	December 30	December 31
Nativity of the Lord  8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ Diocesan Clergy Welfare Fund Collection  Merry Christmas	NO MASS NO BELL CHOIR	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass	Feast of Holy Innocents 5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass NO PREP TONIGHT NO YOUTH CHOIR	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass ++ Legion of Mary Mtg. 6 PM Behind Altar ++ 6:30 Adult Choir	Feast of Holy Family 8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass	8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass ++ Second Collection: Maintenance Fund
January 1, 2017 Solemnity of Mary	January 2	January 3	January 4	January 5	January 6	January 7
8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ Second Collection: Maintenance Fund ++ NO BINGO TODAY	NO MASS NO BELL CHOIR	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass 6 PM Dinner 6:30-7:30 PM PREP 7:30-8:15 Youth Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass ++ Legion of Mary Mtg. 6 PM Behind Altar ++ 6:30 Adult Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass	8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass
January 8 Epiphany of the Lord	<b>January 9</b> Baptism of the Lord	January 10	January 11	January 12	January 13	January 14
8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 2 PM BINGO ++ 1 PM CCW Mtg See Bulletin for Details ++ 2 PM Take Down Christmas Decorations	NO MASS NO BELL CHOIR ++ Knights of Columbus 6:30 Fellowship Meal 7:30 Meeting	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass 6 PM Dinner 6:30-7:30 PM PREP 7:30-8:15 Youth Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass 9:30 AM Rosary Coffee/Sweets Follow ++ Legion of Mary Mtg. 6 PM Behind Altar ++ 6:30 Adult Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass	8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass
January 15 2nd Sunday in Ordinary	January 16	January 17	January 18	January 19	January 20	January 21
8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ NO BINGO TODAY	NO MASS ++ 6 PM Bell Choir	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass 6 PM Dinner 6:30-7:30 PM PREP 7:30-8:15 Youth Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass ++ Legion of Mary Mtg. 6 PM Behind Altar ++ 6:30 Adult Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass	8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass
January 22 3rd Sunday in Ordinary	January 23	January 24	January 25	January 26	January 27	January 28
8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Youth Mass ++ LRSS Begins After Mass ++ Mass & March for Life in Little Rock ++ 2 PM BINGO	NO MASS ++ 6 PM Bell Choir	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass ++ 3 PM LRSS Begins	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass 6 PM Dinner 6 PM LRSS Begins 6:30-7:30 PM PREP 7:30-8:15 Youth Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass ++ Legion of Mary Mtg. 6 PM Behind Altar ++ 6:30 Adult Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass	8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass
January 29	January 30	January 31	February 1, 2017	February 2	February 3	February 4
8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ Second Collection: Black & Indian Missions ++ LRSS Following Mass	NO MASS ++ 6 PM Bell Choir	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass ++ 3 PM LRSS In Conference Room	5:15 PM Prayer 5:30 PM Mass 6 PM Dinner 6 PM LRSS 6:30-7:30 PM PREP 7:30-8:15 Youth Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass Blessing of Candles ++ Legion of Mary Mtg. 6 PM Behind Altar ++ 6:30 Adult Choir	8:15 AM Prayer 8:30 AM Mass Blessing of Throats	8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass Blessing of Throats

# JANUARY 2017 MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

	5 PM Saturday Mass	8	3:30 AM Sunday Mass
Rosary:	Greg Jasper	Rosary:	Janet Doud
Lector:	Greg Jasper	Lector:	Dan Roberts
			Andrew Gratton
E/M:	Bill Devlin	E/M:	Janet Doud
	Elisabeth Scouten		Calvin Cline
			Mary Billups
Servers:	Bernice Rubio	Servers:	Brody Burge
	Kaylee Charbonneau		Mariah Lizarda
	Colton Charbonneau		Caleb Parrish
Ushers:	Ron Schoborg	Ushers:	Leon Doud
	Tim Reeves		David Krueger
	Jim Conner		James Virnig
	Jimmy Luyet		Jim Virnig

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!					
Jan 3	Judith Penquite	Jan 12	Ken Heuschmidt	Jan 21	Mary Zimmer
Jan 4	Cynthia Durand	Jan 13	Red Millis	Jan 22	Jeffery DeWitt
Jan 4	Liam Lampe	Jan 13	Joshua Taylor	Jan 23	Robin Markham
Jan 4	Seychelle Mahoney	Jan 14	Johnny Nichols	Jan 25	Sophia Parrish
Jan 5	Melba Bruton	Jan 14	Weston Rogers	Jan 25	Ana van Leeuwen
Jan 5	Joe Faria	Jan 16	Amy Aldrete	Jan 26	Rickey Amerson
Jan 6	Paula Bellinghausen	Jan 16	Allison Ford	Jan 26	Stacie Klott
Jan 6	Cris Teague	Jan 17	Jordan Reeves	Jan 26	Dolly Leach
Jan 7	Charlene DeVito	Jan 18	Madelynne Barnard	Jan 26	Jorge Ramirez
Jan 8	Julie Milburn	Jan 18	Rita Ward	Jan 27	Joy Lizarda
Jan 9	Bill Burge	Jan 19	Madyson Ray	Jan 28	Stephen Doherty
Jan 9	Pennie Veach	Jan 20	Tina Bohannon	Jan 29	Patti Mole
Jan 10	Wes Bradford	Jan 21	Abi Dardas	Jan 29	Parker Nabors
Jan 11	Steve DeVito	Jan 21	Samuel Luyet	Jan 30	Janice Humbarger
Jan 11	Roger Lizarda	Jan 21	Elizabeth Surber	Jan 30	Sarah Hancock
				Jan 31	John Hargett

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Jan 1	Wes & Carol Bradford	Jan 13	Mike & Jaque Radisch
Jan 2	Ed & Mary Griggs	Jan 24	Tim & Robin Reeves
Jan 9	Richard & Mary Crosley	Jan 27	David & Eva Krueger
Jan 10	Gerry & Carolyn Gokenbach	Jan 29	Chuck & Terry Draper