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by Carlo Maratta

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June 18, 2023

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Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 12 noon and 1:00-4:30 pm

Closed on Friday afternoons Memorial Day to Labor Day

MASS TIMES:

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 7:00 am & 9:30 am

Monday-Friday 7:00 am

Thursday 8:15 am when school is in session

CONFESSION TIMES:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 6:25-6:55 am

Wednesday 12 noon - 1:00 pm

Saturday 2:30-3:30 pm

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL:

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Principal: Mrs. Karen Jones, jones.karen@stmaryspontiac.org

Facebook: St. Mary's School

Instagram: [stmaryspontiac](https://www.instagram.com/stmaryspontiac)

ST. MARY'S FOOD PANTRY: 401 E. Water St. Open to
Livingston County residents every Thursday from 12 noon to 3 pm.

Phone: 815-844-FOOD(3663)

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online account and would like to set one up, please contact Taryn
Tissiere at tissiere.taryn@stmaryspontiac.org or 815-979-7663.



STEWARDSHIP

Collection last Sunday: \$12,208.00

Building Maintenance Fund Collection: This weekend.

THANK YOU to those who regularly support our parish. We
now offer Online Giving through our website. Check it out at
www.stmaryspontiac.org



Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 17 (The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed
Virgin Mary)

4:00 p.m. 1st ann Diane Flaherty

Sunday, June 18 (Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:00 a.m. Parish

9:30 a.m. John DiNardi

Monday, June 19 (St. Romuald)

7:00 a.m. Lori Bristow

Tuesday, June 20

7:00 a.m. Jonathon Gilleran

Wednesday, June 21 (St. Aloysius Gonzaga)

7:00 a.m. Inez Gokoo

Thursday, June 22 (St. Paulinus of Nola;
Sts. John Fisher & Thomas More)

7:00 a.m. Rita Schaeffer

Friday, June 23

7:00 a.m. Michael & Susan Fox

Saturday, June 24 (The Nativity of St. John the Baptist)

4:00 p.m. Jan Brubaker

Sunday, June 25 (Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:00 a.m. Parish

9:30 a.m. Chuck Landrus

Servers for Saturday, June 24

4:00 p.m. Volunteers

Servers for Sunday, June 25

7:00 a.m. Volunteers

9:30 a.m. Jonathan & Zach Becker, Hudson Simmons

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Adoration is open each week-
day, Monday-Friday from 8am until 8pm and Saturday from 8am
until 3pm. Adoration is in the Chapel except for Thursdays when it
is held in the church. If you would like to spend an hour with Jesus
or share an hour with someone, please contact Darlene DeMattia at
815-674-2375 or the Parish Office at 815-844-7683.

BAPTISM PREP CLASS: If you are looking to have your first
child baptized or are expecting your first child and would like to be
prepared for the sacrament of Baptism when they arrive, please call
the parish office at 815-844-7683 to reserve your spot. Baptism
preparation classes will take place on the **third Thursday of each
month at 6:00pm**. *Please do not ask godparents until the class
has been attended, as this will be a topic that is covered.

HOPE PREGNANCY CENTER BABY BOTTLE PROJECT:
Baby bottles are due back this week on Father's Day. Return the
bottles to the bins at the doors of the church.

SUMMER HOURS: The parish office will be closed on Friday
afternoons through Labor Day.

PLEASE PRAY FOR parishioners Charles Maubach and
John Rhode, R.I.P. Our sympathy to their families and friends.

WELCOME

FR. JOSEPH BAKER!

RUMMAGE SALE

WOMEN'S GUILD RUMMAGE SALE FUNDRAISER: Donated items in good condition are needed for the sale such as books, jewelry, linens, toys, household items, decorations and miscellaneous items. **NO CLOTHES!**

DROP OFF HOURS:

Mon June 19	1pm-4pm
Tues June 20	10am-6pm
Wed June 21	10am-6pm
Thurs June 22	10am-1pm

SALE HOURS:

Thurs June 22	4-7pm
Fri June 23	9am-3pm
Sat June 24	9-11am

All items will be 25 cents. Shopping is encouraged when dropping off or helping with set up. Pack up will begin at 11am Saturday until complete. Help is needed anytime for any length of time. For questions, call Mary Lou Legner at 815-848-4826 or Margaret Legner at 815-674-9705.



4-H FAIR KITCHEN: The Livingston County Ag & 4-H Fair is scheduled for **July 19-22**. It's time to begin signing up to help work at the St. Mary's Kitchen. If you are able to help bake, grill, serve, take money, etc., please go to our website www.stmaryspontiac.org to sign up to help. This is a great opportunity to meet new people and have fun helping out St.

Mary's. Also, Mark & Anne will need help cleaning and setting up the week before the fair. Contact them for dates and times. Any questions, please contact Mark & Anne Corrigan at 815-848-3066 or 815-848-6767.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet **Wednesday, June 21 at 6:30pm** in the Our Lady of the Rosary Room of the parish hall.

ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP: All high school students are invited to join us throughout the summer on **Monday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm**. Youth group meets in the upstairs of the Parish Center (former rectory). Please use the back door. Please feel free to join us any Monday you are free throughout the summer!

LEGION OF MARY: Want to tell the world about Jesus through Evangelization? Become a disciple. Join the Legion of Mary **every Thursday at 7:00pm** in the Parish Center. Please use the back door.

MEN'S GROUP: Come join the men of St. Mary's Parish. Our Men's Group meets the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 7:30-9pm**. We are currently studying the Book of John and would love to have you join us! Meeting location varies so please reach out to Kel Krenz if you are interested: krenz.kel@stmaryspontiac.org

FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS NEEDED: Adults committed to sharing our Catholic Faith with public school students on Sunday mornings may call Karen at 815-822-3282. Be a disciple this year.

Join us this summer for

The CHOSEN

Every Wednesday May 31 - Aug. 16
6:30 pm in the Parish Hall*
Two episodes shown each week
*June 21 & 28 in the MPR

We will have:

- Raffles
- Complimentary popcorn
- Activities for kids
- Chairs available

You are welcome to bring your own chairs, blankets, drinks, and snacks.

THIS WEEK'S EPISODES OF *THE CHOSEN* WILL BE SHOWN IN THE MPR (OLD GYM) DUE TO THE RUMMAGE SALE. ENTER THE DOUBLE DOORS OFF THE EAST PARKING LOT.

25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: If you are celebrating 25 or 50 years of marriage during the year 2023, please call the Rectory at 844-7683 by July 25 so that we can submit your names to the diocese for recognition by the Bishop.



I am making another pilgrimage to the Holy Land beginning October 1, 2024 and I am inviting you to join me. This is the same trip I took last time so I am no longer a rookie. It was a beautiful experience. I hope to have the same guide and bus driver who made the pilgrimage a spiritually strengthening and fun-filled trip. I made many new friends and hope to make more this trip. Instead of printing out information and applications, I will email you the info so you can look at it in the comfort of your own home. Email me at fr.david.sabel@gmail.com if you want the information you need to make an informed decision. You can also catch me at church or call the office. Let the Holy Land and Our Lord build your faith! Fr. David

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL
PRESENTS



2023 SMS SCRAMBLE

Sunday 2023
July 30

**Wolf Creek
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A flight - ages 16+
B flight - ages 15 & under
Maximum 2 kids per team

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Shotgun
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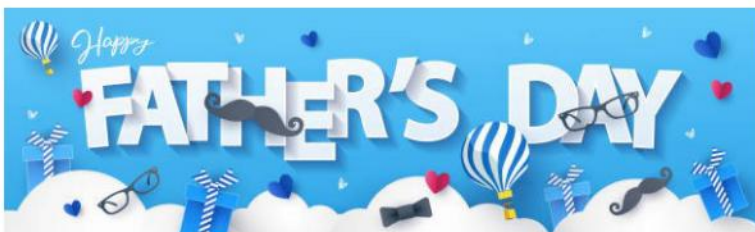
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There are 27 students who need financial assistance to be able to attend St. Mary's School next year. So far, we have been able to raise funds to help 10 of these students. To 'CLEAR THE LIST' and help the remaining students, we need to raise an additional \$51,587. Through the Invest in Kids Act scholarship program, 75% of every dollar you donate will come back to you as a State of Illinois tax credit next year. Additionally, employers like Caterpillar, State Farm, and Exelon will match gifts made by employees and/or retirees. Please consider making a gift to help these families provide a Catholic education for their children. All donations must be made directly to Empower Illinois, our Scholarship Granting Organization. If you can help, contact Danielle Gill at gill.danielle@stmaryspontiac.org.



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**GOD BLESS
OUR FATHERS**

TOTUS TUUS 2023



Totus Tuus is a fun, spiritual program that allows kids to reach a deeper level of religious education through catechesis, prayer and celebration of the Sacraments. If you want to learn more about your faith and strengthen your relationship with God while having a great time with friends and classmates, join us and our 4 college-aged missionaries this summer!

ENTERING GR 1 TO 6

M - F 9am to 2:45pm
\$40 per child
Lunch provided daily by
the Women's Guild

ENTERING GR 7 TO 12

S - Th 6:30 to 8:00pm
\$20 per teen

\$80 Family Maximum



JUNE 25-30TH

SUMMER PROGRAM

**AT ST MARY'S
PARISH HALL**

**RETURN REGISTRATION FORMS TO
SCHOOL OR PARISH OFFICE**

CONTACT:

Coordinator: Taryn Tissiere
Email: tissiere.taryn@stmaryspontiac.org

We are looking for families to host our missionaries for dinner ONE evening from 5-6pm throughout the week. If you are interested, please contact Taryn.



*Learn about the Catholic faith * Draw closer to Mary * Attend daily Mass * Play games * Pray together * Water Balloon fight * Skits * Celebrate the Sacraments * Study the rosary * HAVE FUN!

ST. MARY'S CHURCH
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 18, 2023

Sunday	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100: 1-2, 3, 5; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36—10:8
Monday	2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday	2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday	St. Aloysius Gonzaga 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday	Ss. Paulinus of Nola, John Fisher & Thomas More) 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15
Friday	2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 6:19-23
Saturday	The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist <i>Vigil:</i> Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab & 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17 <i>Day:</i> Is 49:1-6; Ps 139: 1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80
Sunday	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33



St. Mary's Parish is now offering Online Giving.

Online Giving can be used to give to:

- Sunday Offering
- School Collection
- Food Pantry
- Building Maintenance Fund
- Memorials/Gifts
- School Annual Fund
- Scholarships

Start giving online today!

1. Visit our website at www.stmaryspontiac.org and click on the online giving link.
2. Create an account.
3. Schedule your gift. Gifts given via checking or savings account have no service charge. Debit and credit card gifts will be assessed a 3% fee.

Please prayerfully consider giving online. If you have any questions, contact the parish office at 815-844-7683. Online Giving is provided by Our Sunday Visitor, a Catholic not-for-profit organization serving parishes for more than 100 years.

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE
HOLY FATHER FOR JUNE

For the abolition of torture: We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



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We would like to thank the following local businesses for underwriting the efforts of Catholic Spirit Radio: Knights of Columbus Council #854 & Lyons-Sullivan Realty. If you would like to support CSR, please contact Jerry LoPiccalo at 630-514-6221.

ROSARY ON CATHOLIC SPIRIT RADIO: Everyday at 4:30am and 8:30pm.
MASS IS BROADCAST EACH MORNING AT 7AM

EMMAUS DAYS: SESSION II

Sessions II is an overnight retreat. Participants deepen their faith and focus on discerning God's will through prayer and the sacraments. By listening to and spending time with priests and seminarians, participants get a glimpse into their lives. Along with prayer and other devotions, activities like various sports and card games are played.

Session II June 23-26

High School Juniors & Seniors

Session held at St. John's Catholic Newman Center, Champaign

EMMAUS DAYS: SESSIONS III & IV

Sessions III and IV are overnight retreats. Led by seminarians, participants hear God's call to become authentic Christian men. The experience includes prayer, talks from seminarians and activities like basketball, ultimate frisbee, card games, and swimming.

Session III July 16-19

High School Freshmen & Sophomores

Session IV July 19-21 Seventh & Eighth Graders

Both sessions held at Peoria Notre Dame High School

To register for any session, go to:
comeandfollowme.org/emmausdays



ST. MARY'S CHURCH
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PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL FAMILIES THIS YEAR

*We ask everyone to pray for specific church and school families each weekday.
A list will be published here in the bulletin and in the newsletter you receive in the mail.
Please remember these families in your prayers each day for them to grow in their faith this year.*

Mon June 19	Laura Mussari Family, William Nolan Family
Tues June 20	Laurie Murphy Family, Justin & Cynthia Nedza Family
Wed June 21	Thomas & Patricia Noonan Family, Mike & Shannon Murphy Family
Thurs June 22	Mark & Susan Nelson Family, Jana Norman Family
Fri June 23	Patrick Murphy Family, Joel & Whitney Newkirk Family
Mon June 26	Theresa North Family, Francis Nolan Family
Tues June 27	Birdie Ocean Family, Daniel Ocean Family
Wed June 28	Dave & Pat Ochs Family, Donna O'Shaughnessy Family
Thurs June 29	Jim & Karen Peissig Family, Susan Oestmann Family
Fri June 30	Elaine Otto Family, Bernard & Patricia Pelnarsh Family



MAY GOD BLESS ALL OUR FAMILIES EVERY DAY!

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